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CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES :

BEGUN and held at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the sixth day of December, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen; being the *Second Session* of the THIRTEENTH CONGRESS held under the Constitution of Government of the United States :

On which day, being the day appointed by law for the meeting of Congress, HENRY CLAY, the Speaker, and the following Members of the House of Representatives, appeared, and took their seats, to wit :

From New Hampshire,

Roger Vose.

From Massachusetts,

William Baylies,
Abijah Bigelow,
Daniel Dewey,
Levi Hubbard,
Cyrus King,
John Reed,
Nathaniel Ruggles,
James Parker.

From Connecticut,

Epaphroditus Champion,
John Davenport, jun.
Lyman Law,
Jonathan O. Moseley,
Timothy Pitkin,
Lewis B. Sturges,

From Vermont,

William C. Bradley,
Ezra Butler,
Richard Skinner,
Charles Rich.

From New York,

Daniel Avery,
Oliver C. Comstock,
Jonathan Fisk,
James Geddes,
Thomas P. Grosvenor,

From New York, continued,

Moss Kent,
John Lefferts,
John Lovett,
Jacob Markell,
Morris S. Miller,
Hosea Moffitt,
Ebenezer Sage,
William S. Smith,
John W. Taylor,
Elisha L. Winter,

From New Jersey,

Lewis Condict,
William Cox,
Jacob Hufty,
James Schureman,
Richard Stockton,
Thomas Ward.

From Pennsylvania,

William Anderson,
David Bard,
Robert Brown,
John Conard,
William Crawford,
Roger Davis,
William Findley,
Hugh Glasgow,
Isaac Griffin,
Charles Jared Ingersoll,
Samuel D. Ingham,
Jared Irwin,
Aaron Lyle,
William Piper,
Jonathan Roberts,
Adam Seybert,
Isaac Smith,
Adamson Tannehill,
Thomas Wilson.

From Delaware,

Thomas Cooper.

From Maryland,

Stevenson Archer,
Joseph Kent,
Alexander McKim,
Nicholas R. Moore,
Philip Stewart.

From Virginia,

William A. Burwell,
John Dawson,
John W. Eppes,
Thomas Gholson,
Peterson Goodwyn,
John P. Hungerford,
John Kerr,
Joseph Lewis, jun.
William M'Coy,
Hugh Nelson,
Thomas Newton,
John Smith,
Francis White.

From North Carolina,

Willis Alston,
John Culpeper,
Peter Forney,
Nathaniel Macon,
Joseph Pearson,
Israel Pickins,
Bartlett Yancey.

From South Carolina,

{ Samuel Farrow,
Theodore Gourdin,
John Kershaw,
William Lowndes.

From Georgia,

{ William Barnett,
Bolling Hall,
George M. Troup.

From Kentucky,

{ Joseph Desha,
William P. Duvall,
Samuel M'Kee,
Thomas Montgomery,
Stephen Ormsby,
Solomon P. Sharp.

From Tennessee,

{ John H. Bowen,
Thomas K. Harris,
Perry W. Humphreys,
John Rhea.

From Ohio,

{ John Alexander,
Reasin Beall,
James Caldwell,
William Creighton, jun.
John M'Lean.

From Louisiana,

Thomas Bolling Robertson.

Two new members from Pennsylvania, to wit : Daniel Udree and Edward Crouch, elected to supply the vacancies occasioned by the resignation of John M. Hyneman and John Gloninger, appeared, produced their credentials, and took their seats, and were qualified, according to law.

And a quorum, consisting of a majority of the whole number of members, being present,

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Jonathan Jennings, the Delegate from the Territory of Indiana; Edward Hempstead, the Delegate from the Territory of Missouri; and Shadrack Bond, the Delegate from the Territory of Illinois; severally appeared, and took their seats.

William Lattimore appeared, and produced his credentials, as the Delegate from the Territory of Mississippi, and took his seat, being previously qualified by the Speaker, according to law.

On motion of Mr. Findley,

Ordered, That a committee be appointed, on the part of this House, to join such committee as may be appointed, on the part of the Senate, to wait on the President of the United States, and inform him that a quorum of the two Houses is assembled, and ready to receive any communications that he may think proper to make to them.

Mr. Findley and Mr. Stockton were appointed the said committee, on the part of this House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Findley,

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to procure newspapers from any number of offices that the members shall elect, provided that the expense do not exceed the amount of three daily papers.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have formed a quorum, and, in the absence of the Vice President, they have elected Joseph B. Varnum, a Senator from Massachusetts, their President *pro tempore*.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1813.

Several other members, to wit : from Massachusetts, Timothy Pickering and Laban Wheaton; from Vermont, William Strong; from Rhode Island, Richard Jackson, jun.; from Connecticut, Benjamin Tallmadge; from New York, Thomas J. Oakley; from Maryland, Alexander C. Hanson; from Virginia, John Clopton and Hugh Caperton;

from North Carolina, Richard Stanford and Meshack Franklin; from South Carolina, John C. Calloun; and from Tennessee, John Sevier; severally appeared, and took their seats.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have appointed a committee, on their part, to join the committee appointed on the part of this House, to wait on the President of the United States, and inform him that a quorum of the two Houses is assembled, and ready to receive any communications he may think proper to make to them.

Mr. Findley, from the joint committee appointed to wait on the President of the United States, reported that the committee had performed that service, and that the President answered, that he would make a communication this day at twelve o'clock.

On motion of Mr. King, of Massachusetts,

The House proceeded to consider a resolution submitted by him, on the fourteenth of June last, for the appointment of the Committee of Elections, by ballot : When,

On motion of Mr. Findley,

Ordered, That the further consideration of the said resolution be postponed until Thursday next.

A message, in writing, was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary; which was read, and is as follows :

Fellow Citizens of the Senate and of the House of Representatives :

In meeting you at the present interesting conjuncture, it would have been highly satisfactory if I could have communicated a favorable result to the mission charged with negotiations for restoring peace. It was a just expectation, from the respect due to the distinguished sovereign who had invited them, by his offer of mediation, from the readiness with which the invitation was accepted on the part of the United States, and from the pledge to be found in an act of their Legislature for the liberality which their plenipotentiaries would carry into the negotiations, that no time would be lost by the British Government in embracing the experiment for hastening a stop to the effusion of blood. A prompt and cordial acceptance of the mediation on that side was the less to be doubted, as it was of a nature not to submit rights or pretensions, on either side, to the decision of an umpire, but to afford, merely, an opportunity, honorable and desirable to both, for discussing, and, if possible, adjusting them, for the interest of both.

The British Cabinet, either mistaking our desire of peace for a dread of British power, or misled by other fallacious calculations, has disappointed this reasonable anticipation. No communications from our Envoys having reached us, no information on the subject has been received from that source. But it is known that the mediation was declined, in the first instance, and there is no evidence, notwithstanding the lapse of time, that a change of disposition, in the British councils, has taken place, or is to be expected.

Under such circumstances, a nation, proud of its rights, and conscious of its strength, has no choice, but an exertion of the one in support of the other.

To this determination, the best encouragement is derived from the success with which it has pleased the Almighty to bless our arms, both on the land and on the water.

Whilst proofs have been continued, of the enterprise and skill of our cruisers, public and private, on the ocean, and a new trophy gained in the capture of a British by an American vessel of war, after an action giving celebrity to the name of the victorious commander; the great inland waters, on which the enemy were also to be encountered, have presented achievements of our naval arms, as brilliant in their character, as they have been important in their consequences.

On Lake Erie, the squadron under command of Captain Perry, having met the British squadron, of superior force, a sanguinary conflict ended in the capture of the whole. The conduct of that officer, adroit as it was daring, and which was so well seconded by his comrades, justly entitles them to the admiration and gratitude of their country: and will fill an early page in its naval annals, with a victory never surpassed in lustre, however much it may have been in magnitude.

On Lake Ontario, the caution of the British commander, favored by contingencies, frustrated the efforts of the American commander to bring on a decisive action. Captain Chauncey was able, however, to establish an ascendancy on that important theatre; and to prove, by the manner in which he effected every thing possible, that opportunities only were wanted, for a more shining display of his own talents and the gallantry of those under his command.

The success on Lake Erie having opened a passage to the territory of the enemy, the

officer commanding the Northwestern Army transferred the war thither ; and rapidly pursuing the hostile troops, fleeing with their savage associates, forced a general action, which quickly terminated in the capture of the British, and dispersion of the savage force.

This result is signally honorable to Major General Harrison, by whose military talents it was prepared ; to Colonel Johnson and his mounted volunteers, whose impetuous onset gave a decisive blow to the ranks of the enemy ; and to the spirit of the volunteer militia, equally brave and patriotic, who bore an interesting part in the scene ; more especially to the Chief Magistrate of Kentucky, at the head of them, whose heroism, signalized in the war which established the independence of his country, sought, at an advanced age, a share in hardships and battles, for maintaining its rights and its safety.

The effect of these successes has been to rescue the inhabitants of Michigan from their oppressions, aggravated by gross infractions of the capitulation which subjected them to a foreign Power ; to alienate the savages of numerous tribes from the enemy, by whom they were disappointed and abandoned ; and to relieve an extensive region of country from a merciless warfare, which desolated its frontiers, and imposed on its citizens the most harassing services.

In consequence of our naval superiority on Lake Ontario, and the opportunity afforded by it for concentrating our forces by water, operations, which had been provisionally planned, were set on foot against the possessions of the enemy on the St. Lawrence. Such, however, was the delay produced, in the first instance, by adverse weather of unusual violence and continuance, and such the circumstances attending the final movements of the Army, that the prospect, at one time so favorable, was not realised.

The cruelty of the enemy, in enlisting the savages into a war with a nation desirous of mutual emulation in mitigating its calamities, has not been confined to any one quarter. Wherever they could be turned against us, no exertions to effect it have been spared. On our Southwestern border, the Creek tribes, who, yielding to our persevering endeavors, were gradually acquiring more civilized habits, became the unfortunate victims of seduction. A war in that quarter has been the consequence, infuriated by a bloody fanaticism recently propagated among them.

It was necessary to crush such a war before it could spread among the contiguous tribes, and before it could favor enterprises of the enemy into that vicinity. With this view, a force was called into the service of the United States from the States of Georgia and Tennessee, which, with the nearest regular troops, and other corps from the Mississippi Territory, might not only chastise the savages into present peace, but make a lasting impression on their fears.

The progress of the expedition, as far as is yet known, corresponds with the martial zeal with which it was espoused ; and the best hopes of a satisfactory issue are authorized by the complete success, with which a well planned enterprise was executed against a body of hostile savages, by a detachment of the volunteer militia of Tennessee, under the gallant command of General Coffee ; and by a still more important victory over a larger body of them, gained under the immediate command of Major General Jackson, an officer equally distinguished for his patriotism and his military talents.

The systematic perseverance of the enemy, in courting the aid of the savages in all quarters, had the natural effect of kindling their ordinary propensity to war into a passion, which, even among those best disposed towards the United States, was ready, if not employed on our side, to be turned against us. A departure from our protracted forbearance to accept the services tendered by them, has thus been forced upon us. But, in yielding to it, the retaliation has been mitigated as much as possible, both in its extent and in its character ; stopping far short of the example of the enemy, who owe the advantages they have occasionally gained in battle, chiefly to the number of their savage associates, and who have not controlled them, either from their usual practice of indiscriminate massacre on defenceless inhabitants, or from scenes of carnage without a parallel, on prisoners to the British arms, guarded by all the laws of humanity and of honorable war. For these enormities, the enemy are equally responsible, whether with the power to prevent them they want the will, or with the knowledge of of a want of power, they still avail themselves of such instruments.

In other respects, the enemy are pursuing a course which threatens consequences most afflicting to humanity.

A standing law of Great Britain naturalizes, as is well known, all aliens complying with conditions limited to a shorter period than those required by the United States ; and naturalized subjects are, in war, employed by her Government, in common with native subjects. In a contiguous British province, regulations promulgated since the

commencement of the war, compel citizens of the United States, being there under certain circumstances, to bear arms; whilst of the native emigrants from the United States, who compose much of the population of the province, a number have actually borne arms against the United States within their limits; some of whom, after having done so, have become prisoners of war, and are now in our possession. The British commander in that province, nevertheless, with the sanction, as appears, of his Government, thought proper to select from American prisoners of war, and send to Great Britain for trial, as criminals, a number of individuals who had emigrated from the British dominions long prior to the state of war between the two nations, who had incorporated themselves into our political society, in the modes recognised by the law and the practice of Great Britain, and who were made prisoners of war under the banners of their adopted country, fighting for its rights and its safety.

The protection due to these citizens requiring an effectual interposition in their behalf, a like number of British prisoners of war were put into confinement, with a notification that they would experience whatever violence might be committed on the American prisoners of war sent to Great Britain.

It was hoped that this necessary consequence of the step unadvisedly taken on the part of Great Britain, would have led her Government to reflect on the inconsistencies of its conduct, and that a sympathy with the British, if not with the American sufferers, would have arrested the cruel career opened by its example.

This was unhappily not the case. In violation both of consistency and humanity, American officers and non-commissioned officers, in double the number of the British soldiers confined here, were ordered into close confinement, with formal notice, that, in the event of a retaliation for the death which might be inflicted on the prisoners of war sent to Great Britain for trial, the officers so confined would be put to death also. It was notified, at the same time, that the commanders of the British fleets and armies on our coasts are instructed, in the same event, to proceed with a destructive severity against our towns and their inhabitants.

That no doubt might be left with the enemy, of our adherence to the retaliatory resort imposed on us, a correspondent number of British officers, prisoners of war in our hands, were immediately put into close confinement, to abide the fate of those confined by the enemy; and the British Government has been apprized of the determination of this Government to retaliate any other proceedings against us, contrary to the legitimate modes of warfare.

It is as fortunate for the United States that they have it in their power to meet the enemy in this deplorable contest, as it is honorable to them, that they do not join in it but under the most imperious obligations, and with the humane purpose of effectuating a return to the established usages of war.

The views of the French Government on the subjects which have been so long committed to negotiation, have received no elucidation since the close of your late session. The Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States, at Paris, had not been enabled, by proper opportunities, to press the objects of his mission, as prescribed by his instructions.

The militia being always to be regarded as the great bulwark of defence and security for free States, and the Constitution having wisely committed to the national authority a use of that force, as the best provision against an unsafe military establishment, as well as a resource peculiarly adapted to a country having the extent and the exposure of the United States, I recommend to Congress a revision of the militia laws, for the purpose of securing, more effectually, the services of all detachments called into the employment, and placed under the Government of the United States.

It will deserve the consideration of Congress, also, whether, among other improvements in the militia laws, justice does not require a regulation, under due precautions, for defraying the expense incident to the first assembling as well as the subsequent movements of detachments called into the national service.

To give to our vessels of war, public and private, the requisite advantage in their cruizes, it is of much importance that they should have, both for themselves and their prizes, the use of the ports and markets of friendly Powers. With this view, I recommend to Congress the expediency of such legal provisions as may supply the defects, or remove the doubts of the Executive authority, to allow to the cruizers of other Powers, at war with enemies of the United States, such use of the American ports as may correspond with the privileges allowed by such Powers to American cruizers.

During the year ending on the 30th of September last, the receipts into the Treasury have exceeded thirty seven millions and a half of dollars, of which near twenty-

four millions were the produce of loans. After meeting all the demands for the public service, there remained in the Treasury on that day, near seven millions of dollars. Under the authority contained in the act of the 2d of August last, for borrowing seven millions and a half of dollars, that sum has been obtained, on terms more favorable to the United States than those of the preceding loan, made during the present year. Further sums, to a considerable amount, will be necessary to be obtained in the same way during the ensuing year; and from the increased capital of the country, from the fidelity with which the public engagements have been kept, and the public credit maintained, it may be expected on good grounds that the necessary pecuniary supplies will not be wanting.

The expenses of the current year, for the multiplied operations falling within it, have necessarily been extensive. But, on a just estimate of the campaign, in which the mass of them has been incurred, the cost will not be found disproportionate to the advantages which have been gained. The campaign has, indeed, in its latter stages in one quarter, been less favorable than was expected, but, in addition to the importance of our naval success, the progress of the campaign has been filled with incidents highly honorable to the American arms.

The attacks of the enemy on Craney Island, on Fort Meigs, on Sackett's Harbor, and on Sandusky, have been vigorously and successfully repulsed: nor have they, in any case, succeeded on either frontier, excepting when directed against the peaceable dwellings of individuals, or villages unprepared or undefended.

On the other hand, the movements of the American Army have been followed by the reduction of York, and of Forts George, Erie, and Malden; by the recovery of Detroit, and the extinction of the Indian war in the West; and by the occupancy or command of a large portion of Upper Canada. Battles have also been fought on the borders of the St. Lawrence, which, though not accomplishing their entire objects, reflect honor on the discipline and prowess of our soldiery, the best auguries of eventual victory. In the same scale are to be placed the late successes in the South, over one of the most powerful, which had become one of the most hostile, also, of the Indian tribes.

It would be improper to close this communication without expressing a thankfulness, in which all ought to unite, for the numerous blessings with which our beloved country continues to be favored; for the abundance which overspreads our land, and the prevailing health of its inhabitants; for the preservation of our internal tranquillity, and the stability of our free institutions; and above all, for the light of divine truth, and the protection of every man's conscience in the enjoyment of it. And, although among our blessings, we cannot number an exemption from the evils of war; yet these will never be regarded as the greatest of evils, by the friends of liberty and of the rights of nations. Our country has before preferred them to the degraded condition which was the alternative, when the sword was drawn in the cause which gave birth to our national independence; and none who contemplate the magnitude, and feel the value of that glorious event, will shrink from a struggle to maintain the high and happy ground on which it placed the American People.

With all good citizens, the justice and necessity of resisting wrongs and usurpations, no longer to be borne, will sufficiently outweigh the privations and sacrifices inseparable from a state of war. But it is a reflection, moreover, peculiarly consoling, that, whilst wars are generally aggravated by their baneful effects on the internal improvements and permanent prosperity of the Nations engaged in them, such is the favored situation of the United States, that the calamities of the contest into which they have been compelled to enter, are mitigated by improvements and advantages of which the contest itself is the source.

If the war has increased the interruptions of our commerce, it has, at the same time, cherished and multiplied our manufactures, so as to make us independent of all other countries for the more essential branches, for which we ought to be dependent on none; and is even rapidly giving them an extent, which will create additional staples in our future intercourse with foreign markets.

If much treasure has been expended, no inconsiderable portion of it has been applied to objects durable in their value, and necessary to our permanent safety.

If the war has exposed us to increased spoliations on the ocean, and to predatory incursions on the land, it has developed the national means of retaliating the former, and of providing protection against the latter; demonstrating to all, that every blow aimed at our maritime independence is an impulse accelerating the growth of our maritime power.

By diffusing through the mass of the Nation the elements of military discipline and

instruction, by augmenting and distributing warlike preparations, applicable to future use, by evincing the zeal and valor with which they will be employed, and the cheerfulness with which every necessary burden will be borne ; a greater respect for our rights, and a longer duration of our future peace are promised, than could be expected without these proofs of the national character and resources.

The war has proved, moreover, that our free Government, like other free Governments, though slow in its early movements, acquires in its progress a force proportioned to its freedom ; and that the union of these States, the guardian of the freedom and safety of all and of each, is strengthened by every occasion that puts it to the test.

In fine, the war, with all its vicissitudes, is illustrating the capacity and the destiny of the United States to be a great, a flourishing, and a powerful Nation ; worthy of the friendship which it is disposed to cultivate with all others ; and authorized, by its own example, to require from all an observance of the laws of justice and reciprocity. Beyond these, their claims have never extended ; and, in contending for these, we behold a subject for our congratulations in the daily testimonies of increasing harmony throughout the Nation, and may humbly repose our trust in the smiles of Heaven on so righteous a cause.

JAMES MADISON.

WASHINGTON, DECEMBER 7. 1813.

Ordered, That the said message be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and that five thousand copies thereof be printed for the use of the members of Congress.

A motion was made by Mr. Dawson, that the House do now proceed to the appointment of the several Standing Committees, except the Committee of Elections.

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative : Whereupon,

A Committee of Ways and Means was appointed, consisting of Mr. Eppes, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Creighton, Mr. Alston, Mr. M'Kim, and Mr. Cox.

A Committee of Commerce and Manufactures was appointed, consisting of Mr. Newton, Mr. Murfree, Mr. Seybert, Mr. Jackson, of Rhode Island, Mr. Baylies, Mr. Gourdin, and Mr. Grosvenor.

A Committee of Claims was appointed, consisting of Mr. Archer, Mr. Yancey, Mr. Goodwyn, Mr. Law, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Bard, and Mr. Davenport.

A Committee on the Public Lands was appointed, consisting of Mr. M'Kee, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Humphreys, Mr. Moseley, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Pickering, and Mr. M'Coy.

A Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads was appointed, consisting of Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee, Mr. Lyle, Mr. Sturges, Mr. Bigelow, Mr. Winter, Mr. Franklin, and Mr. Hall.

A Committee for the District of Columbia was appointed, consisting of Mr. Kent, of Maryland, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Bowen, and Mr. Bradley.

A Committee on the Judiciary was appointed, consisting of Mr. Ingersoll, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Pitkin, Mr. Stockton, Mr. Pickins, Mr. Montgomery, and Mr. Oakley.

A Committee of Revisal and Unfinished Business was appointed, consisting of Mr. Condict, Mr. Stanford, and Mr. Wheaton.

A Committee of Accounts was appointed, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Barnett, and Mr. John Reed.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY. DECEMBER 8, 1813.

Several other members, to wit : from Massachusetts, William Ely and Elijah Brigham ; from North Carolina, William Kennedy ; and from Tennessee, Felix Grundy ; severally appeared, and took their seats.

Mr. Parker presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the towns of Gardiner and Hallowel, in the District of Maine, praying that no alteration may take place in the mail route from Brunswick to Augusta.

Mr. Cyrus King presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of York county, in the State of Massachusetts, praying that a post road may be established from Upper to Lower Kennebunk.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Pickering,

Ordered, That, henceforward, all messages and communications from the President of the United States ; all letters and reports from the several Departments of the Go-

vernment ; all motions and resolutions offered for the consideration of the House ; all reports of committees of the House ; and all other papers which, in the usual course of proceeding, or by special order of the House, shall be printed in octavo fold, and separately from the journals—shall have their pages numbered in one continued series of numbers, commencing and terminating with each session.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Macon reported that the committee had, according to order, had the state of the Union under consideration, and had come to sundry resolutions, which he was directed to report to the House :

The House proceeded to consider the resolutions reported by the said committee, which were read at the Clerk's table, and severally concurred in by the House, as follows :

1. *Resolved*, That so much of the President's message as relates to the subject of foreign affairs, be referred to a select committee.

2. *Resolved*, That so much of the President's message as relates to military affairs, be referred to a select committee.

3. *Resolved*, That so much of the President's message as relates to naval affairs, be referred to a select committee.

4. *Resolved*, That so much of the President's message as relates to our revenue, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

5. *Resolved*, That so much of the President's message as relates to a revision of the militia laws, be referred to a select committee.

6. *Resolved*, That so much of the President's message as relates to the retaliation of our Government of the proceedings of the enemy, contrary to the legitimate modes of warfare, be referred to a select committee.

7. *Resolved*, That so much of the President's message as recommends the expediency of such legal provisions as may supply the defects, or remove the doubts of the Executive authority, to allow to cruizers of other Powers at war with enemies of the United States, such use of the American ports as may correspond with the privileges allowed by such Powers to American cruizers, be referred to a select committee.

Mr. Calhoun, Mr. Grundy, Mr. Fisk, of New York, Mr. Ingersoll, Mr. Gholson, Mr. Miller, and Mr. M'Lean, were appointed a committee pursuant to the first resolution.

Mr. Troup, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Desha, Mr. Sevier, Mr. Stuart, Mr. Tannehill, and Mr. Champion, were appointed a committee pursuant to the second resolution.

Mr. Lowndes, Mr. Burwell, Mr. Seybert, Mr. King, of Massachusetts, Mr. Ormsby, Mr. Post, and Mr. Kennedy, were appointed a committee pursuant to the third resolution.

Mr. Taylor, Mr. Parker, Mr. Strong, Mr. Piper, Mr. Forney, Mr. Champion, and Mr. Smith, of Virginia, were appointed a committee pursuant to the fifth resolution.

Mr. Macon, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Calhoun, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Fisk, of Vermont, Mr. Stockton, and Mr. Lovett, were appointed a committee pursuant to the sixth resolution.

Mr. Grundy, Mr. Duvall, Mr. Davis, of Pennsylvania, Mr. Moore, Mr. Ely, Mr. Leferts, and Mr. Pitkin, were appointed a committee pursuant to the seventh resolution.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed a resolution for the appointment of a Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills ; and they have appointed Mr. Bledsoe of the said committee on their part. The Senate have also passed a resolution for the appointment of two Chaplains to Congress, one by each House, who shall interchange weekly.

The first of the said resolutions was read, and concurred in by the House : and

Mr. Skinner and Mr. Caperton were appointed of the said committee on the part of this House.

The second of the said resolutions was read, and concurred in by the House : When,

On motion of Mr. Wheaton,

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, at twelve o'clock, proceed to the election of a Chaplain on their part.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1813.

Several other members, to wit : from Massachusetts, Samuel Taggart ; and from New York, Jotham Post, junior, and Zebulon R. Shipherd ; severally appeared and took their seats.

Mr. King, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of Thomas Cutts, junior, praying to be repaid the sum of four hundred and twenty-five dollars, which was paid by him for a proportion of a certain schooner sold by a deputy Marshal to satisfy a judgment obtained by the United States against Tristram Hooper, Moses Lowell, and Benjamin Chandler, of which proportion of said schooner he has been dispossessed by order of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. King, of Massachusetts, also presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Kennebunk, in the District of Maine, praying that the port of Kennebunk may be made a port of entry and delivery for foreign vessels, and vessels coming from foreign places.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Crouch presented a petition of Ernest Greese, of Pennsylvania, praying to be allowed and paid for services rendered, and money expended in the public service, whilst an officer in the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Macon presented petitions from Richard Curvat, John F. M'Grew, Bayley Chaney, George Freeland, senior, and Julien De Castor, respectively praying to be confirmed in their titles to tracts of land lying in the Mississippi Territory.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Beall,

Ordered, That the petitions of sundry inhabitants of Beaver county, in the State of Pennsylvania, presented on the fifteenth of July last, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Jennings presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Harrison county, in the Indiana Territory, stating that they have embodied themselves as a company of Rangers, under the laws of the United States; but, as more Rangers have been raised than was directed by law, they have been discharged, and praying to be continued in service.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Hempstead,

Ordered, That the petition of Kenzie and Forsythe, presented on the eleventh of February, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, and the petition of Mary Philip Leduc, presented on the fifth of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, be referred to the Committee of Claims; and that the petition of Obadiah Scott, presented on the eleventh of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, and the petition of Daniel Boone, presented on the eighth of January, one thousand eight hundred and ten, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Jennings,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Public Lands be instructed to inquire into the expediency of subdividing the quarter sections of the lands of the United States.

Resolved, That the said committee inquire into the expediency of reducing the price of the lands of the United States.

Resolved, That the said committee inquire also into the expediency of giving further time to the purchasers of the public lands, who purchased prior to the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ten, to complete their payments.

On motion of Mr. King,

The House again proceeded to consider the resolution submitted by him, for the appointment of the Committee of Elections, by lot.

And the question being taken to agree to the said resolution,

It was determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Grundy,

A Committee of Elections was then appointed, pursuant to the standing rules and orders of the House; consisting of Mr. Fisk, of Vermont, Mr. Gholson, Mr. King, of Mass. Mr. Pickens, Mr. Vose, Mr. Comstock, and Mr. Anderson.

On motion of Mr. Bond,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Cahokia, in the Illinois Territory, to the seat of justice of Madison county, and from Kaskaskia to the seat of justice of Johnson county, in said Territory, and from thence to Salem, in Kentucky.

On motion of Mr. Rhea,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing Members of Congress, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Clerk of the House of Representatives, to transmit, by mail, free of

postage, copies of the acts of Congress, journals of the Senate, and journals of the House of Representatives, public documents transmitted to either or both Houses of Congress by the President of the United States or any Executive Department, or in pursuance of any law or of any order or resolution of either House of Congress, to any post office within the United States or Territories thereof.

The House proceeded to the election of a Chaplain to Congress, on their part, and, upon an examination of the ballots, it appeared that the Rev. Jesse Lee was duly elected.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Grosvenor,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post road from the town of Sheffield, in the county of Berkshire, and State of Massachusetts, through the village of Spencertown, the towns of Hillsdale, Chatham, Schodack, and Greenbush, to the city of Albany, in the State of New York.

Patrick Magruder, the Clerk to the House, being absent, from indisposition, the House proceeded to the choice of a Clerk *pro tem.* and George Magruder was unanimously chosen.

A confidential message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary: Upon which,

The House was cleared of all persons, except the Members, Clerk, Sergeant-at-arms, and Doorkeeper, and the doors were closed, and, after remaining so for some time, they were again opened.

And the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1813.

Several other members, to wit: from Pennsylvania, James Whitehill; from Maryland, Robert Wright; from Virginia, Daniel Sheffey; from North Carolina, William Gaston; and, from South Carolina, John J. Chappell; severally appeared and took their seats.

Mr. Dewey presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the States of New York, Vermont, and New Hampshire, praying for the establishment of a post route, from Hoo-sack, in New York, to Greenfield, in Massachusetts.

Mr. Findley presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Indiana, Armstrong, and Butler counties, in Pennsylvania, praying for the establishment of a post route from the town of Indiana to the town of Butler.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Shipherd presented a petition of Mary Fletcher, praying to be relieved from her distressed situation, occasioned by the death of her husband, who was killed by the enemy, whilst in the military service of the United States.

Mr. Wilson presented a petition of John Wilson, praying to be placed on the pension list, in consideration of a wound accidentally received from a soldier in the service of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

Ordered, That the petition of Rufus Reed and Daniel Dobbins, presented on the second of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the petition of Edward Kean, presented on the 30th of November, 1812; the petition of Aquila Deaver, presented on the 30th of December, 1812; and the petition of John Thompson, of Virginia, presented on the 29th of May, 1812, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Hall presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of the counties of Baldwin, Putnam, Greene, and Oglethorpe, in Georgia, praying that a mail route may be established, from Milledgeville, by Greensborough, to Lexington.

Mr. Hall also presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Baldwin, Twiggs, Pulaski, Laurens, and Wilkinson, in Georgia, praying that a post route may be established from Milledgeville, through the said counties.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Robertson presented a petition of the President and Directors of the Orleans Navigation Company, praying a grant for a lot of ground at the mouth of the Bayou

Saint John, on which they have erected a building occupied in the service of the Company.

On motion of Mr. Jennings,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of Vincennes, presented on the 15th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims; and that the petitions of Jacob Yoder and Adam Glaze, presented on the 14th of November, 1811; the petition of Daniel Landon, presented on the 6th of February, 1812; the petition of the Legislature of the Indiana Territory, presented on the 27th of May, 1813; and the petition of sundry inhabitants of Clarke and Jefferson counties, in the Indiana Territory, presented on the 7th of July, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Rhea, from the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, presented a bill to authorize the transmission of certain documents free of postage; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-day.

On motion of Mr. Rhea,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be discharged from the consideration of the resolution agreed to yesterday, directing an inquiry into the expediency of transmitting certain documents by mail, free of postage, and that the said resolution be referred to the Postmaster General.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a statement of the unsettled accounts remaining in the Auditor's Office, in pursuance of a resolution of the House, of the 30th of July last; which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Hempstead,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Public Lands be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing, by law, for the speedy and final confirmation of all grants of land, or orders of survey, lawfully made and completed, by the proper officer, in the late District of Louisiana, now Territory of Missouri, during the time the said Territory was in the actual possession of Spain or France, and while either of those Powers exercised the sovereignty therein.

Resolved, That said Committee inquire into the expediency of making provision, by law, for granting all such claims to land, in said Territory, not exceeding six hundred and forty acres to each claimant, where the claimant, or the person under whom he claims, had actually cultivated the same, prior to the 20th of December, 1813.

Resolved, That said Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making provision, by law, to enable persons claiming lands in said Territory, and which shall not be confirmed or granted, under the laws of the United States, to contest the legality of such decisions in a court of law.

Resolved, That said committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of extending the right of pre-emption to actual settlers on the public lands in said Territory, and that said committee have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making provision, by law, for the appointment of an additional judge of the Superior Court, in the Territory of Missouri, exclusively for the District of Arkansas, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Ordered, That, until otherwise ordered, the daily hour to which the House shall stand adjourned, shall be eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

On motion of Mr. Beall,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing, by law, a post route from Carlestown, Knox county, Virginia, by Cadiz, Freeport, White Eyes Plains, Coshocton, Union, Mount Vernon, Clinton, Fredericktown, and Mansfield, to Upper Sandusky, in Ohio.

On motion of Mr. Wilson.

Resolved, That the Committee on the Naval Establishment inquire and report on the expediency of a provision, by law, for deepening the channel into the harbor of Presque Isle, on Lake Erie.

Resolved, That the Military Committee inquire and report upon the expediency of improving the water communications and roads, necessary for the transportation of troops, military and naval stores, and provisions, between certain parts of the United States and the Lakes.

An engrossed bill to authorize the transmission of certain documents free of postage was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to authorize the transmission of certain docu-

ments free of postage;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The following joint resolution was submitted by Mr. Pickering :

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That of the public journals of the Senate and of the House of Representatives, of the present and of every future Congress, commencing with the present session, and of the documents published under the orders of the Senate, and of the House of Representatives, respectively, from the commencement of the present session, there shall be printed two hundred copies beyond the number usually printed, of which twenty-five copies shall be deposited in the library of the United States, at the seat of Government, to be delivered to members of Congress, during any session, and to all other persons authorized by law to use the books in the said library, upon their applications to the Librarian, and giving their responsible receipts for the same, in like manner as for other books. And that so many other of the said copies shall be transmitted, in like manner as the acts of Congress are transmitted, to the Executives of the several States and Territories, as shall be sufficient to furnish one copy to each Executive, one copy to each branch of every State and Territorial Legislature, one copy to each University and College in each State, and one copy to the Historical Society, incorporated, or which shall be incorporated, in each State. And that the residue of the said two hundred copies be deposited in the said Library of the United States, subject to the future disposition of Congress.

The said resolution was read the first time, and, on motion, the said resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday next.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have chosen the Rev. John Breckenridge a Chaplain to Congress, on their part.

On motion of Mr. Grundy,

The House was cleared of all persons except the Members, Clerk, Sergeant-at-arms, and Doorkeeper, and the doors were closed, and remained so until an adjournment took place.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1813.

The doors being opened,

Mr. Boyd, of New York, Mr. Rea, of Pennsylvania, Mr. King, of North Carolina, and Mr. Cheves, of South Carolina, severally appeared and took their seats.

And the House then adjourned until Monday morning eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1813.

Several other members, to wit : from Massachusetts, George Bradbury ; from Rhode Island, Elisha R. Potter ; from Virginia, James Pleasants, junior ; and, from Georgia, Thomas Telfair ; severally appeared, and took their seats.

Mr. Baylies presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Plymouth county, Massachusetts, praying that a post route may be established on the turnpike road from Boston to New Bedford.

Mr. Pitkin presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the States of Connecticut and Massachusetts, praying that a post route may be established on the turnpike road from New Haven, in Connecticut, to Stockbridge, in Massachusetts.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Grosvenor,

Ordered, That the petition of Henry Malcolm, presented on the 9th of December, 1811, be referred to a select committee.

Mr. Grosvenor, Mr. Fisk, of New York, and Mr. Bradley, were appointed the said committee.

Mr. Fisk, of New York, presented a petition of Isaac Williams, junior, praying to be admitted to a seat in this House, as one of the members for the State of New York, in the place of John M. Bowers, whom he states to have been illegally returned and commissioned.

Ordered, That the said petition, and accompanying documents, be referred to the Committee of Elections.

Mr. Taylor presented a petition of Hannah Weed, stating that she hath been deprived of her means of support, by the loss of her son, Calvin Weed, who was wounded in the attack on Queenstown, in Canada, of which he died, and praying relief.

Mr. Comstock presented a petition of Jonathan Woodworth, praying further compensation for services rendered as an officer in the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Seybert,

Ordered, That the petition of Richard Dale, presented on the 3d of February, 1803, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Roberts,

Ordered, That the petition of Isaac Franks, presented on the 2d of August, 1813, be referred to the same committee.

Mr. Ingersoll presented a petition of Joseph H. Wilson, David and M. Ray, and Edward Tilghman, junior, praying to be re-imbursed a sum of money loaned to the American Consul at Cadiz, for the purpose of fitting out a cartel for the conveyance of American seamen to the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Ingersoll also presented a petition of the President and Directors of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company, praying that the United States will subscribe for such number of shares in the stock of said company, as will enable them to complete their undertaking.

The said petition was read, and referred to Mr. Ingersoll, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Wright, Mr. Telfair, and Mr. Pleasants.

Mr. Davis, of Pennsylvania, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Chester county, Pennsylvania, praying that a post route may be established from Wilmington, in Delaware, to Pottsgrove, in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Murfree presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Gates and Hertford counties, in the State of North Carolina, praying that a post route may be established from Sunbury to Murfreesborough.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Macon presented a petition of Thomas Goodrum, praying for an increase of his pension, in consideration of a wound received in the Revolutionary war.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Cheves,

Ordered, That the petition of Daniel M'Cauley, presented on the 25th of February, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Cheves presented a petition of Robert E. Cochran, of Charleston, in the State of South Carolina, praying to be discharged from imprisonment, where he is confined on an attachment issued on behalf of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Cheves also presented a petition of Charles B. Cochran, of Charleston, South Carolina, stating that the officers of the Navy Department took possession, under conditions mentioned in the petition, of a piece of landed property belonging to the petitioner, which conditions they have since refused to comply with, and praying that the Government will fulfil the stipulations entered into by their agents.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Calhoun presented a petition of James B. Kennedy, of Charleston, South Carolina, praying, for reasons stated in the petition, a remission of the forfeiture of his brig the John, which has been condemned for a violation of the law prohibiting importations from the British dominions.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Robertson presented a petition of Moses Hooke, praying to be confirmed in his title to a tract of land lying in the Mississippi Territory.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of Henry Parr, praying a confirmation of his title of pre-emption to a tract of land in the Mississippi Territory.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Jennings,

Ordered, That the petition of William Bryan, presented on the 4th of June, 1813, and the petition of sundry inhabitants of Knox county, Indiana Territory, presented on the 7th January, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims; and that the petition of sundry inhabitants of Harrison county, in the Indiana Territory, presented on the 28th of May, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed a resolution for the appointment of a Joint Committee to have the direction of the money appropriated for the purchase of books, &c. for the library of Congress ; and they have appointed Mr. Lieb, Mr. Goldsborough, and Mr. Mason, of the said committee. on their part.

The said resolution was read, and concurred in by the House ; and

Mr. Seybert, Mr. Cheves, and Mr. Gaston, were appointed of the said committee, on the part of the House.

An engrossed resolution for the printing and distribution of an additional number of public documents was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, " A resolution for the printing and distribution of an additional number of the journals of Congress and of the documents printed by their order ;" and that the Clerk do carry the said resolution to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Beall,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Public Lands be instructed to inquire into the expediency of attaching to the Canton district, in the State of Ohio, all that tract of land, extending one mile wide on each side of the road, as located, and lying between the foot of the Rapids of the river Miami of lake Erie, and the Western line of the Connecticut reserve, which, by treaty, concluded at Brownstown, in the Michigan Territory, on the 25th of November, 1808, between certain Indian tribes and Governor Hull, was ceded to the United States for the purpose of a road, and of extending and connecting the settlements of the State of Ohio, with the Territory aforesaid ; and that the said committee have leave to report by bill, or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Hempstead,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post road from Vincennes, in the Indiana Territory, to St. Louis, in the Missouri Territory.

On motion of Mr. Lattimore,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Public Lands be instructed to inquire into the expediency of allowing further time to make payment for public lands in the Mississippi Territory, purchased subsequent to the 31st of March, 1809 ; and that they have leave to report by bill, or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. M'Kee,

Ordered, That the letters and reports from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, received on the 2d and 21st of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1813.

Two other members, to wit : from Georgia, John Forsyth, and from Kentucky, James Clarke, appeared and took their seats,

On motion of Mr. Taggart,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of Greenfield, in Massachusetts, presented on the 10th of November, 1812, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Ordered, That the petition of Augustus M'Kinney and Laysal Bancroft, presented on the 28th of May, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

Ordered, That the petition of Thomas Anderson, presented on the 15th of January, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Gholson,

Ordered, That the petition and accompanying documents of John Taliaferro, presented on the 27th of May, 1813, contesting the election of John P. Hungerford, one of the Representatives from the State of Virginia, be referred to the Committee of Elections.

Mr. Kerr presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Virginia and North Carolina, praying that a post route may be established from Lynchburgh to Danville, in Virginia.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Farrow presented a petition of John Pridmore, of South Carolina, praying payment for a number of continental bills, received by him for services rendered and supplies furnished in the Revolutionary war.

Mr. Robertson presented a petition of James Williams, of the State of Louisiana, praying to be paid for services rendered as a soldier in the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Lattimore,

Ordered, That the petition of Joseph Vidal, presented on the 8th of February, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting a general statement of the unsettled accounts in the office of the Accountant of the Navy Department, agreeably to the resolution of the House, of the 30th of July last; which were referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Pickering,

Ordered, That the documents which were the subject of the order of the House of the 8th instant, instead of having their pages numbered in one continued series of numbers from the commencement to the termination of each session, shall be themselves numbered in a regular series, in the order of time in which they shall be directed to be printed: the number of each document to be distinctly marked on the top of the title page and of every subsequent page, in addition to the number of each page of such document.

On motion of Mr. Desha,

Resolved, That the Committee of Claims be instructed to inquire into the expediency of paying for the wagons and horses that have been lost or destroyed whilst engaged in the public service.

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of paying for the horses lost by the volunteers who turned out under his excellency Isaac Shelby, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, on the Canada expedition, last Fall, and that they report by bill, or otherwise.

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of paying the mounted volunteers who turned out under his excellency Isaac Shelby, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, on the Canada expedition, last Fall, additional pay for their horses furnished, and that they report by bill, or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Wright,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of providing, by an act of Congress, one uniform mode of electing Senators, Representatives to Congress, and Electors of President and Vice President.

Mr. Wright, Mr. Forsyth, Mr. Skinner, Mr. Sturges, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Ward, of New Jersey, and Mr. Boyd, were appointed the said committee.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1813.

Several other members, to wit: from New York, Abraham Hasbrouck, and from Virginia, Thomas M. Bayly and James Johnson, appeared and took their seats.

Mr. Fisk, of New York, presented a petition of Celestino De Oteyza, master of the Spanish brig Patriota, praying, for reasons stated in the petition, the restoration of the said brig, which has been seized on behalf of the United States, for a violation of one of the revenue laws passed on the 6th of July, 1812.

Mr. Ingersoll presented a petition of Jane Dauphin, of the State of Delaware, praying a remission of the forfeiture of the schooner Mary, and her cargo, which was the property of her deceased husband, John Dauphin, and which have been condemned on the 12th of August, 1809, for a violation of the act laying an embargo.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Crawford,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Pennsylvania, presented on the 8th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Crawford presented a petition of Hugh Ross, praying for a pension, in consideration of a wound received in the naval service in the Revolutionary war.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Ingham presented a petition of John Sees, praying compensation for services rendered in the transportation of prisoners during the Revolutionary war.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Sheffey presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Washington, Russell, and Lea, in the State of Virginia, praying that a post office may be established at Mockerson Gap.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Hall presented a petition of Robert Neil, praying for a pension in consideration of a wound received whilst a soldier in the detachment of militia acting against the Seminole Indians in the year 1812.

Mr. Hall presented a petition of John Huston, praying for a pension, in consideration of wounds received whilst a soldier in the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Desha,

Ordered, That the petition of Walker Baylor, presented on the 30th of November, 1812, and the petition of John Edwards, presented on the 9th of February, 1811, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Condict, from the Committee of Revisal and Unfinished Business, made a report in part; which was ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Winter,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Chesterfield to Jay, in Essex county, New York.

On motion of Mr. Yancey,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the laws of the United States, as to the effect which a judgment of record of one State shall have, when offered as evidence in a suit in another State, and that they have permission to report by bill or otherwise.

Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending that provision in the first section of the act, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise," so far as respects the sale of domestic spirits, sold in less quantities than five gallons, at the place where the same shall have been distilled, and by the person to whom licences shall have been granted for that purpose.

On motion of Mr. Lowndes,

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of affording additional encouragement to the re-enlistment of those soldiers, now in the Army of the United States, whose terms of service may have nearly expired.

On motion of Mr. Hanson,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Fredericktown, by Liberty town, Union Bridge, and Uniontown, to Westminster, in the State of Maryland.

On motion of Mr. Winter,

Resolved, That the Committee of Claims be instructed to inquire into the expediency of paying for buildings occupied as public stores, and burnt by the enemy in consequence thereof; and that they report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Pickering,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inspect the printed journals and documents belonging to the House, and to cause them to be so marked and arranged, as to render the recurrence to them more easy and useful.

Mr. Pickering, Mr. Lovett, and Mr. Sharp, were appointed the said committee.

Ordered, That Mr. Pickering be excused from serving on the Committee on the Public Lands, and that Mr. M'Clean be appointed of the said committee in his place.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1813.

Another member, to wit: from South Carolina, David R. Evans, appeared and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of Kennebec county, in Massachusetts, presented on the 28th of May, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Lovett presented a petition of Jephtha Brown, of the State of New York, praying to be placed on the pension list, in consideration of bodily injuries received whilst a volunteer in the military service of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Hungerford,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of the Northern Neck of Virginia, presented on the 23d of July, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee,

Ordered, That the petition of Richard Mitchell, presented on the 16th of November, 1812, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of Tennessee, presented on the 31st of May, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Robertson presented a petition of Daniel Stewart, of St. Mary's, in the State of Georgia, praying to be reimbursed the amount of moneys expended by him in disbursements, and laying in the cargo of the British brig Camilla, in the commencement of the year 1812; the said brig and cargo being afterwards seized and condemned under the laws of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of Francis Alexander, of the Mississippi Territory, praying a confirmation of his title to a tract of land in said Territory.

Ordered, That the said petition, together with the petition of the trustees of Green Academy, in the Mississippi Territory, presented on the 19th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Jennings,

Ordered, That the petition of John Gibson, presented on the 23d of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Fisk, from the Committee of Elections, made a report on the petition of Isaac Wilhams, junior, contesting the election of John M. Bowers; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Shipherd,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the propriety of establishing a post road from the head of Lake George, in the town of Caldwell, in the county of Warren, in the State of New York, through the towns of Bolton and Hague, to Ticonderoga, and from thence, the most direct and convenient route, to the town of Essex, in the county of Essex, in said State.

On motion of Mr. Barnett,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be directed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Greenville, in South Carolina, to Carnesville, in the State of Georgia.

On motion of Mr. Montgomery,

Resolved, That the Committee of Claims do inquire into the expediency of providing, by law, for compensating volunteer and drafted militia for arms and military accoutrements, lost by the inevitable casualties of war, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Grundy,

The House was cleared of all persons except the Members, Clerk, Sergeant-at-arms, and Doorkeeper, and the doors were closed, and, after remaining so for some time, they were again opened.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1813.

On motion of Mr. Roberts,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Bucks and Montgomery, in the State of Pennsylvania, presented on the second of January, 1812, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Archer presented a petition of Bowie & Kurtz, and George Magruder and others, of Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, setting forth that they chartered their ship, called the Alleghany, to the Government, for the purpose of carrying the usual tribute to the Dey of Algiers; and that, after her arrival in Algiers, the Dey ordered her, together with the American Consul-General, to depart the Regency, by which he was compelled to proceed to Gibraltar; and that, shortly after her arrival in that port, she was seized by the British Government, and has been condemned, and praying to be paid for the said ship, and such part of the cargo as belonged to the petitioners.

Ordered, That the said petition, together with the petition of Jesse Jennet, presented on the 17th of February, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Beall presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Sandusky, in the State of

Ohio, praying for a grant of a certain tract of land, lying in said State, as a remuneration for the many privations to which they have been subjected since the commencement of the present war.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. McClean presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Madison, in the county of Hamilton, and State of Ohio, praying that a post route may be established from Cincinnati to Madison.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Jennings,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of Driftwood Settlement, in the Indiana Territory, presented on the 25th of May, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of John Thompson; which was read, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Archer, from the same committee, also made a favorable report on the petition of Richard Dale; which was read: On which,

Mr. Archer, on leave given, reported a bill for the relief of Richard Dale; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The House was then cleared of all persons, except the Members, Clerk, Sergeant-at-arms, and Doorkeeper, and the doors were closed, and after remaining so for some time, they were again opened.

Ordered, That, when the House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned until Monday morning eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1813.

Three other members, to wit: from Massachusetts, John Wilson; from New York, Samuel Sherwood; and from Virginia, James Brekenridge, appeared and took their seats.

Mr. Vose presented a petition of Thomas Hartwell, praying a pension, in consideration of injuries received whilst an officer in the Revolutionary army.

Mr. William Reed presented a petition of Mary Cheever, who states that her two sons, John and Joseph P. Cheever, were killed whilst acting as sailors on board the frigate Constitution, in her engagement with the British frigate Java, and praying for a support at the public expense, in consequence thereof.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. William Reed also presented a petition of Jonathan Davis, of Boston, in behalf of himself and the other owners of the cargo of the Spanish ship Patriota, praying that the said cargo may be restored to them, having been seized by the revenue officers of the port of New York, under an act passed on the sixth of July, 1812.

Mr. William Reed also presented a petition of John D. Williams, on behalf of himself and others, owners of the schooner Boston, and her cargo, praying a remission of the forfeiture of said schooner and cargo, for a violation of the act prohibiting importations from Great Britain and her dependencies, for reasons stated in the petition.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Ringgold presented a petitions of sundry inhabitants of the towns of Cumberland and Bedford, praying that a post route may be established between the said towns.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Ringgold presented a petition of John Miller, a Captain in the Army of the United States, stating that, whilst acting as paymaster to a detachment of the Army, he was robbed of a large sum of public money, which he has been unable to recover, and praying relief.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Chappell,

Ordered, That the petition of Daniel Carne, presented on the eleventh of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. McLean presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Lebanon, in the State of Ohio, praying that the post route between Chillicothe and Cincinnati may pass through Lebanon.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Robertson,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of the county of Lafourche, in the State of Louisiana, presented on the eighth of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Bond,

Ordered, That the resolutions of the Legislature of the Territory of Illinois, presented on the 25th of January, 1813, be referred to Mr. Bond, Mr. Alexander, and Mr. Montgomery.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the President and Directors of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company, made a report; which was read: On which,

Mr. Ingersoll, upon leave given, reported a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury, in behalf of the United States, to subscribe for seven hundred and fifty shares in the capital stock of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the joint resolution for the printing and distribution of an additional number of the Journals of Congress, and of the Documents printed by their order.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post road from the town of Dumfries, by Walnut Branch, to Fauquier Court House, in Virginia.

On motion of Mr. Burwell,

Resolved, That the Committee on Naval Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the President to provide an additional number of armed vessels for the public service, to carry not less than sixteen, nor more than twenty-two guns, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Seybert,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the present condition and distribution of the flags, standards, and colors, which have been taken by the forces of the United States, from their enemies; and whether it would be expedient to make any provision in relation to them, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Seybert, Mr. Cheyes, and Mr. Smith, of New York, were appointed the said committee.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. Ingersoll:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of making adequate and permanent provision for the support of all officers, soldiers, and mariners, who have been or shall be disabled by wounds in the military or naval service of the United States; and, also, for the support of the widows and education of the children, of all officers, soldiers, and mariners, who have fallen, or shall fall, in the military or naval service of the United States; and that the committee have leave to report by bill, or otherwise.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Archer proposed an amendment to the standing rules and orders of the House, to wit:

An additional Standing Committee shall be appointed, to wit: a Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, to consist of seven members.

It shall be the duty of the said Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims to take into consideration all such petitions and matters, or things touching military pensions, and also claims and demands originating in the Revolutionary war, or arising therefrom, as shall be presented, or shall or may come in question, and be referred to them by the House, and to report their opinion thereupon, together with such propositions for relief therein, as to them shall seem expedient.

The said amendment was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Richard Dale; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Macon reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto; which he delivered in at the Clerk's table, where it was read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-day.

The House proceeded to consider the report of the Committee of Elections on the petition of Isaac Williams, junior, contesting the election of John M. Bowers, and the said report being read, the resolutions therein contained were unanimously concurred in by the House, as follows :

1. *Resolved*, That John M. Bowers is not entitled to a seat in this House.
2. *Resolved*, That Isaac Williams, junior, is entitled to a seat in this House.

On motion of Mr. Sturges,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending an act, entitled "An act to establish the judicial courts of the United States," so far as to authorize notaries public to take depositions to be used in any of the courts of the United States.

On motion of Mr. Cooper,

Resolved, That the Committee for Revising the Militia Laws be instructed to inquire and report what provisions ought to be made for payment of the expenses of the militia, called out under the authority of any of the State or Territorial Governments, for the defence of the country against the incursions of the enemy ; and that said committee have leave to report by bill, or otherwise.

A motion was made by Mr. Pickens that the House do come to the following resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, two-thirds of both Houses concurring therein, That the following amendment to the Constitution of the United States, be proposed to the Legislatures of the several States, which, when ratified by the Legislatures of three-fourths of the said States, shall be valid, to all intents and purposes, as a part of the said Constitution :

The electors of President and Vice President of the United States shall be chosen by districts ; and for that purpose, each State shall be divided by its Legislature into a number of districts equal to the number of electors to which the State may be entitled. Each district shall contain, as nearly as may be, equal numbers, which shall be determined by adding to the whole number of free persons, including those bound to service for a term of years, and excluding Indians not taxed, three-fifths of all other persons. In each district the persons qualified to vote for Representatives in the Congress of the United States, shall choose one elector. The Legislature of each State shall have power to regulate the manner of holding elections, and making returns of the electors chosen by the People. In case all the electors should not meet at the time and place appointed for giving their votes, a majority of the electors met, shall have power, and forthwith shall proceed to supply the vacancy. The districts for choosing electors of President and Vice President of the United States shall not be altered in any State, until an enumeration and an apportionment of Representatives shall be made subsequent to a division of the State into districts. The division of the State into districts shall take place, as soon as conveniently may be, after this amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the United States, and successively afterwards, whenever a new enumeration and apportionment of Representatives shall be made.

The said resolution was read, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

The House was then cleared of all persons except the Members, Clerk, Sergeant-at-arms, and Doorkeeper, and the doors were closed ; and, after remaining so for some time, they were again opened.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1813.

Mr. Sherwood presented a petition of Elizabeth Warner, of the State of New York, praying relief, in consideration of the death of her husband, Zelotus Warner, who died, after being taken a prisoner by the enemy, at the battle of Queenstown.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Sherwood presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Schoharie and Delaware, in the State of New York, praying that a post route may be established from Albany to Harpersfield.

Mr. Sherwood presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Delaware county, in the State of New York, praying that a post route may be established from Middletown to Tompkins.

Mr. Ward, of New Jersey, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Sussex county, in the State of New Jersey, praying that a post route may be established from Newton, in New Jersey, to Milford, in Pennsylvania.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, and the petition of sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, in Pennsylvania, presented on the 14th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Pleasants,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of Amelia county, Virginia, presented on the 10th of July, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Bond,

Ordered, That the resolutions of sundry inhabitants of the Illinois Territory, presented the 10th of July, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Newport, in Tennessee, by Greenville, Rogersville, and Lee Courthouse, to Cumberland Gap, in Virginia.

On motion of Mr. Moffit,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the propriety of establishing a post road from the city of Albany, in an Easterly direction, through the towns of Greenbush, Sand Lake, Berlin, and Stephentown, in the State of New York; and Hancock, Lanesborough, and Dalton, in Massachusetts, to intersect the Boston and Albany post road at the last place.

On motion of Mr. Wright,

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the President to change any portion of the 5000 infantry, authorized by the act of last session, into artillery or riflemen.

On motion of Mr. Pitkin,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire whether any, and, if any, what, alterations or amendments are necessary to be made by law, relative to costs to be taxed, and to fees and expenses in the circuit and district courts of the United States, and that they have leave to report by bill, or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to permit any incorporated bank in the United States to discount any bond, obligation, promissory note, or bill of exchange, without requiring the same to be stamped: provided such bank will pay thereon, into the Treasury of the United States, a duty, at the rate of five cents for every hundred dollars discounted as aforesaid.

On motion of Mr. Kerr,

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws of the United States, that the militia called out under their authority may not be compelled to serve more than three months for a tour of duty.

An engrossed bill for the relief of Richard Dale was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Richard Dale," and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

A motion was made by Mr. Lovett, that the House do come to the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to cause to be laid before this House, if in his opinion it will not be inconsistent with the public welfare, all the evidence in his possession relative to the commencement, progress, and present state of the system of retaliation upon prisoners of war, to which the Governments of the United States and Great Britain have lately resorted. Also, that the President of the United States will cause to be laid before this House the names of those prisoners of war who have been sent as criminals to England, for trial. Also, evidence when and where those prisoners were captured; at what time they emigrated from the British dominions to the United States; when, and in what manner, they had incorporated themselves into our political society; also, whether any, or all of said prisoners have been naturalized agreeably to the laws of the United States, and when; and all other evidence which may serve to show and define the national character of said prisoners of war.

2. *Resolved*, That the President of the United States be requested to cause to be laid before this House, if, in his opinion, it be not inconsistent with the public welfare, any documents, papers, evidence, or information, tending to show that naturalized subjects of Great Britain are, by her, employed in war against their native country, and that they are, by her, protected from punishment, either by means of retaliation, or otherwise, when taken by their native countrymen in arms against them, or in arms invading their territories.

3. *Resolved*, That the President of the United States be requested to cause to be laid before this House, if, in his opinion, it be not inconsistent with the public welfare, such evidence as he may have in his possession, relative to the orders, regulations, and proclamations, which, since the commencement of the present war, have been issued and promulgated in the provinces of Canada, by the Governor General of those provinces, or any other officer or agent of the British Government, relative to the state, condition, rights, and duties, of the native citizens of the United States, residing in those provinces; also, the number of such native citizens of the United States, as have, during the present war, borne arms against the United States, within their limits, and what is the present situation of such citizens.

The said resolutions were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1813.

Two other members, to wit: from Delaware, Henry M. Ridgely; and, from Ohio, James Kilbourn, appeared and took their seats.

Mr. Geddes presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Preble, in the county of Cortland, in the State of New York, praying that a post route may be established from Onandago, by Tully, Preble, and Homer, to the courthouse in said county.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Roberts presented a petition of Thomas Wilson, praying to be allowed such unforeseen and unavoidable expenses as he was obliged to incur, whilst a contractor for supplying the Army with provisions, in furnishing new posts in Louisiana.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Moore presented a petition of Thomas Owen, of the State of Maryland, praying for a patent for a new and useful discovery in mechanics, which he is at present unable to obtain in the ordinary way, because of his being an alien.

The said petition was read, and referred to Mr. Moore, Mr. Kent, of Maryland, and Mr. Bigelow.

On motion of Mr. Kent, of Maryland,

Ordered, That the petition of Rebecca Hodgson, presented on the 21st of November, 1812, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Dawson,

Ordered, That the petition of William Gamble, presented on the 18th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Dawson,

Ordered, That the message from the President of the United States, of the 5th of February, 1805, transmitting sundry documents in relation to the claim, by the Danish Government, of restitution in the case of the brigantine Henrick, together with all the documents in relation to said claim, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Kennedy presented the petition of sundry inhabitants of North Carolina, praying that a post route may be established from Suffolk, in Virginia, to Washington, in North Carolina.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Desha,

Ordered, That the petition of William H. Peake, presented on the 18th of January, 1811, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. McLean,

Ordered, That the petition of Thompson Maxwell, presented on the 3d of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Robertson,

Ordered, That the petition of William Garrard, Leven Wailes, and Gideon Fitz, presented on the 19th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Bond,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of the Illinois Territory, presented on the 1st of March, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Lattimore,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Public Lands be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making provision, by law, for the relief of such purchasers of public lands as may have committed an error in designating a tract different from the one intended to be entered, with leave to report by bill, or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Beall,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Public Lands be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making provision, by law, for the sale of sections No. 15, 21, and 22, on the same terms, and at the same price, that other public lands are offered for sale, at the respective Land Offices within the State of Ohio.

On motion of Mr. Archer, the House proceeded to consider the proposition submitted by him yesterday, for the appointment of an additional standing committee, to be styled the Committee of Pensions and Revolutionary Claims; and the said proposition being again read, was agreed to by the House.

On motion of Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee,

Ordered, That the report of the Committee of Elections, on the petition of William Kelly, contesting the election of Thomas K. Harris, together with the papers heretofore presented to the House, and any other evidence that may be offered touching said election, be referred to the Committee of Elections.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the report of the Committee of Claims, on the petition of John Thompson, of Virginia; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the Committee had had the said report under consideration, and agreed to the resolution therein submitted; which he delivered in at the Clerk's table, where it was again read, and concurred in by the House, to wit:

Resolved, That the petition of John Thompson ought not to be granted.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1813.

Another member, to wit: from Massachusetts, Artemas Ward, appeared and took his seat.

Ordered, That Mr. McKim have leave of absence for ten days from to-day.

Mr. Wilson, of Pennsylvania, presented a petition of Oliver Ormsby, stating that, whilst a contractor for supplying a part of the Army with rations, he was compelled, by the Spanish authorities at Mobile, to pay duties on provisions, and that certain items of his account have been disallowed at the War Office, and praying to be allowed the amount of said duties and items.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petitions of sundry inhabitants of Vincennes, and of Knox county, in the territory of Indiana; which was read, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Archer, a Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims was appointed, consisting of Mr. Ingham, Mr. Clopton, Mr. Chappell, Mr. Stuart, Mr. Sage, Mr. Ely, and Mr. Beall.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported, that the Committee had examined an enrolled "resolution for the printing and distribution of an additional number of the Journals of Congress, and of the documents printed by their order," and had found the same to be truly enrolled: When,

The Speaker signed the said resolution.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1813.

Aylett Hawes, from Virginia, appeared and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of Pennsylvania,

Ordered, That the petition of Peter Audrain, presented on the 16th December, 1811, be referred to the Comptroller of the Treasury.

Mr. Burwell presented a petition of the President and Directors of the Union Bank of Alexandria, praying for an act of incorporation for said Bank.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

On motion of Mr. Eppes,

Ordered, That the petition of Burwell Bassett, contesting the election of Thomas M. Bayly, one of the Representatives from Virginia, together with all the papers which have been presented to the House, be referred to the Committee of Elections.

Mr. Stanford presented a petition of Jacob Greer, of North Carolina, praying to be relieved from the payment of a sum of money claimed by the United States, on account of direct taxes, which sum was left uncollected by Joseph Greer, deceased.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Beall presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Beaver County, Pennsylvania, and of Columbiana county, Ohio, praying that a post route may be established from Washington, in Pennsylvania, to New Lisbon, in Ohio.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Kilbourn presented the petition of Joseph S. Hughes, praying compensation for services rendered, as Chaplain to the Northwestern Army, surrendered by General Hull.

Mr. Kilbourn also presented two petitions, one from Azariah Root, the other from Noah Spalding, of Delaware, in the State of Ohio, respectively praying compensation for property destroyed by two regiments of Virginia militia, in the service of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. McKee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, made a report on the petition of Daniel Boone; which was read, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

On motion made, and leave given, Mr. Ingersoll, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill for the appointment of an additional Judge for the Missouri Territory, and for other purposes; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Ingersoll,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of altering the Judicial system of the United States.

Resolved, That the same Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing, by law, for the more effectual punishment of crimes against the United States, with leave to report by bill, or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the Committee of Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petitions of Thomas Goodrum, John Pridmore, Isaac Franks, John Wilson, Ernest Greese, John Sees, Walker Baylor, Thomas Anderson, Hugh Ross, Robert Neil, Aquila Deaver, Edward Kean, James Williams, William Henry Peake, Daniel Clarke, Thomas Hartwell, Jephtha Brown, Jonathan Woodworth, and John Huston, and that the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

A motion was made by Mr. Nelson, that the House do come to the following resolution:

Resolved, That the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, be, and they are hereby, authorized to adjourn their respective Houses on this day, to Monday, the third day of January next.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 46,
Nays 97.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Boyd,
Breckenridge,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cheves,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Crouch,

Mr. Davenport,
Eppes,
Gaston,
Gholson,
Gourdin,
Grosvenor,
Humphreys,
Johnson, of Va.
Kershaw,
Lovett,
Lowndes,

Mr. Macon,
Miller,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Ormsby,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
William Reed,

Mr. Robertson,
Sheffey,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Va.

Mr. Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.

Mr. Wheaton,
White,
Wilson, of Mass.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bigelow,
Bowen,
Bradbury,
Bradley,
Brigham,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Chappell,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,
Cox,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Culpeper,
Davis, of Pa.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Dewey,
Duvall,
Ely,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.

Mr. Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Geddes,
Glasgow,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Hufty,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kerr,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Law,
Lefferts,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moffit,
Montgomery,

Mr. Moore,
Markell,
Newton,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
John Reed,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Roberts,
Ruggles,
Sage,
Schureman,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Taggart,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Thompson,
Troup,
Ward, of N. J.
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Pa.
Winter,
Wright,
Yancey.

On motion of Mr. Grundy,

Ordered, That, when the House adjourns, it will meet again on Monday next.
And then the House adjourned till Monday morning eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1813.

The Speaker being absent,

On motion of Mr. Findley,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1813.

Elias Earle, from South Carolina, appeared, and took his seat.

Mr. Taggart presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Hampshire and Berkshire counties, in the State of Massachusetts, praying for the establishment of a post route from Northampton to Williamstown.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of Joseph Westcot, of the District of Maine, stating that, whilst a Captain of a Company of Volunteers in the service of the United States, he accidentally lost a sum of money intended for the payment of himself and company, by which they have been deprived of their pay, and praying relief.

Mr. Post presented a petition of the Governors of the New York Hospital, praying payment for the support of a number of seamen, in addition to those paid for by the Collector of New York.

Mr. Taylor presented the petition of Zachariah Schoonmaker, Paymaster of the second regiment of United States' volunteer militia, praying indemnity against a loss of 1,436 dollars, money of the United States, in his hands, for the payment of troops in service.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Lovett,

Ordered, That the petition of John R. Williams, respecting a loss sustained in the capture of the British schooner Caledonia, presented on the 8th of June, 1812, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Ingersoll presented a petition of Oliver Evans, praying that the term limited for the duration of patents for useful discoveries, may be extended, and that additional protection may be afforded to inventors of useful discoveries.

The said petition was read, and referred to Mr. Ingersoll, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Udree, Mr. Telfair, and Mr. Lovett.

Mr. King, of North Carolina, presented a petition of Ann Brown, praying for a pension in consideration of the loss of her husband, John Brown, deceased, whilst commander of gun boat No. 159, which was wrecked in 1810.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. King also presented a claim on the part of Robert Cochran, collector of the customs for Wilmington, in the State of North Carolina, for reimbursement of moneys expended by him for the relief of sick and disabled seamen.

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. M'Kee presented a petition of Robert B. M'Afee, John Arnold, and Anthony Crockett, of Kentucky, praying, for reasons therein stated, a grant of land in the Indian country, on the Wabash river.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

The Speaker presented a petition of the inhabitants of the town and county of Nantucket, in the State of Massachusetts, praying that such relief may be extended to them, owing to their insular and defenceless condition, and to their entire dependence on the whale fishery for subsistence, as Congress may please to grant.

The said petition was read, and referred to Mr. Findley, Mr. Parker, Mr. John Reed, Mr. Piper, Mr. Fisk, of Vermont, Mr. Alexander, and Mr. Baylies.

The Speaker presented a petition of Alexander Smyth, of the State of Virginia, praying to retain his rank in the line of the army as a brigadier general.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Secretary of War.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from J. B. Guenin, stating that he is an American citizen, and that he is imprisoned in a British prison ship, as a subject of France, and soliciting the interference of Congress.

The said letter was read, and referred to the Secretary of State.

Mr. Rhea presented a petition of Darby Mars, praying for a pension, in consideration of wounds received in the naval service of the United States, during the Revolutionary war.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Creighton presented a petition of Nathaniel Gates and Matthew Buell, praying compensation for board, medicine, and attendance, furnished a certain John Nelson, a private in a detachment of Virginia militia, who was accidentally wounded in the line of his duty, and left in charge of the petitioners.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Robertson,

Ordered, That the petition of John Thompson, jr. presented on the 1st of April, 1812, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Jennings,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of the Indiana Territory, presented on the 23d of December, 1812, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the Committee of Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petitions of Mary Cheever and Elizabeth Warner, and that they be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, reported a bill authorizing the payment for property captured or destroyed while in the public service, by the enemy of the United States; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Saturday next.

Mr. M'Kee, on leave given, from the Committee on the Public Lands, reported a bill granting Moses Hooke the right of pre-emption; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Friday next.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee of Enrolment, reported that the committee did, on Thursday last, present to the President of the United States a resolution for the printing and distribution of an additional number of the Journals of Congress, and of the documents printed by their order.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, on the 27th instant, approve and sign the said resolution.

On motion of Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee,

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of extending the laws of the United States over those parts of States and Territories of the United States to which the Indian title, in pursuance of treaties, is not extinguished, in such manner, that all and every white person residing within any of said parts of States or Territories of the United States, may, and shall be subject to the operation of said laws.

On motion of Mr. Kilbourn,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing the following post routes within the State of Ohio, viz: From Lancaster, in the county of Fairfield, to Columbus, in the county of Franklin; and from Springfield, in Champaign county, to Dayton, in the county of Montgomery. Also, that the said Committee be instructed, in considering of the propriety of establishing a post route from Columbus to Springfield aforesaid, as authorized by the resolution of this House, passed at the last session, to make the town of Loudon, in the county of Madison, a point, if to them it shall appear expedient, and that they report thereon by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Humphreys,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency and propriety of establishing, by law, a post route direct from Nashville to Clarksville, in the State of Tennessee, and report thereon.

On motion of Mr. Sharp,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads inquire into the expediency of establishing a post road from Beardstown, in the State of Kentucky, to Grayson court-house; from thence, to Butler court-house; and from thence, to Russellville.

On motion of Mr. Evans,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Belfast, in Laurens district, by Mr. John Satterwhite's, to the town of Cambridge, in the State of South Carolina.

A motion was made by Mr. Hanson, that the House do come to the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the President be, and he is hereby, requested to communicate to this House any information in his possession, and which it may not be improper to divulge, in relation to the omission or refusal of the French Government to accredit the Minister Plenipotentiary sent by the United States to that Court; or, of his reception if accredited; of the time when he was so accredited; and of the progress of his negotiation.

2. *Resolved*, That the President be, and he is hereby, requested to cause to be laid before this House any correspondence with, or communication in writing from, the late Minister of France, resident at Washington, on or about the 14th of June, 1809, or subsequently with his successor M. Serrurier, prescribing or declaring the terms and conditions upon which their sovereign would consent to treat of amity and commerce with the United States, if any such correspondence or communication be in the possession of the Executive; and, if none such be in the possession of the Executive, that the President be, and is hereby, requested to inform this House, unless the public interest forbid such disclosure, whether there has not been such a correspondence or communication, which was withdrawn from the archives of the Department of State, and, if so, when and how the same was so withdrawn.

And on the question, that the House do now proceed to consider the said resolutions,

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 124,
Nays 21.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Archer,
Avery,
Barnett,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Beall,
Bigelow,
Bowen,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Brown,
Caperton,
Calhoun,
Champion,
Chappell,
Cheves,
Cilley,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Cox,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Penn.
Desha,
Dewey,
Duvall,
Ely,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Fisk, of Vt.
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gaston,
Geddes,

Mr. Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grosvenor,
Grundy,
Hanson,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Hufty,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Irwin,
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Vir.
Kent, of N. Y.
Kerr,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Law,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
McCoy,
McLean,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Nelson,
Oakley,
Parker,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pickins,
Piper,

Mr. Pitkin,
Pleasants,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Virg.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Tallmadge,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Thompson,
Troup,
Udree,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Wilson, of Pa.
Winter,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Bard,
Bradley,
Butler,
Denoyelles,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,

Mr. Gholson,
Glasgow,
Hall,
Ingham,
Kershaw,
Lefferts,
Newton,

Mr. Sage,
Sevier,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Strong,
Whitehill,
Wright.

The said resolutions were then again read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting statements shewing the application of moneys transferred from appropriations for the Military Department since the last session of Congress ; which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the report of the Committee on the Public Lands, on the petition of Daniel Boone ; and, after some

time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the Committee had had the said report under consideration, and agreed to the resolution therein contained; which was again read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That Daniel Boone be confirmed in his title to 1000 arpents of land, in the Femme Osage district, granted to him by the Spanish Government.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Public Lands prepare and report a bill in pursuance to the said resolution.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Resolved, That the Committee of Claims be instructed to inquire into the expediency of allowing to persons, where property has been impressed into the public service, the full value thereof, if captured or destroyed by the enemy, or lost without any negligence on his part; and, in case the property impressed, should be restored to the owner by the Government, to allow him the value of any damage such property may have sustained while in the possession of the United States.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1813.

Four other members, to wit: from New Hampshire, William Hall, and Daniel Webster; and from Massachusetts, Samuel Davis, and Abiel Wood, severally appeared and took their seats.

Mr. Pickering presented a petition of Joseph Barker, William Orne, Charles H. Orne, and Stephen Phillips, merchants, in the State of Massachusetts, stating that their respective vessels having taken in cargoes at St. Petersburg, in Russia, were proceeding on their voyages to the United States, and that, whilst at anchor in a neutral port, under the jurisdiction of the Government of Sweden, they were forcibly seized by a British ship of war, and have been condemned as lawful prize; and praying that the Government of the United States will demand compensation for their losses and injuries, from the Government of Sweden.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Secretary of State.

Mr. Pickering also presented a petition of Seccomb and Williams, and John Hunt, junior, manufacturers of Roman vitriol, oil of vitriol, aqua fortis, spirits of salts, &c. praying that duties may be imposed on those articles imported from foreign countries.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Miller presented a petition of Michael Hogan, praying compensation for injuries committed on his house in the town of Utica, in the State of New York, by a detachment of United States' troops, who took possession of said house and used it for a barrack.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Jackson, of Rhode Island, presented a petition of Thomas Farmer, praying a remission of the forfeiture of his vessel and cargo, which have been condemned for a violation of the law prohibiting importations from the dominions of Great Britain.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Findley presented a petition of Charles Campbell, praying, for reasons stated in the petition, to be exonerated from the payment of a judgment obtained by the United States against him, on account of moneys deposited in his possession for the payment of a detachment of militia in the year 1792.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Bard presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Mifflin county, in Pennsylvania, praying that a post route may be established from Lewistown by Beavertown, Middlebury, and Longstown, to Sunbury.

Ordered, That the said petition, together with the petition of sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, in the State of Pennsylvania, presented on the 17th of February, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Ingersoll presented a petition of Stephen Singleton, of Philadelphia, praying a remission of a part of the duties paid by him on a late importation of a quantity of woollen goods from a Spanish port, which were subsequently found to be damaged.

Ordered, That the said petition, together with the petition of Bartholomew Rengue-net, presented on the 16th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Ingersoll,

Ordered, That the petition of Maria Auner, presented on the 10th of July, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Ingersoll presented a petition of Hugh Ferguson, of Philadelphia, praying to be reimbursed the amount of moneys expended by him in procuring clothing and provisions for the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. King, of North Carolina, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the State of North Carolina, praying the aid and patronage of the General Government, in opening an inland navigation, which shall connect the waters of the Chesapeake bay with those of St. Mary's river, in the State of Georgia.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of the Whole House to whom was committed the bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to subscribe, on behalf of the United States, for shares in the capital stock of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company.

Mr. Murfree presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Gates county, North Carolina, praying that the post route from Edenton to Suffolk, may be altered so as to pass by Hunter's Mill.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads

On motion of Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, That the petition of Samuel Ralston, presented on the 16th of February, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Chappell,

Ordered, That the petition of John Thurston, presented on the 3d of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Montgomery presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Wayne and Pulaski counties, in Kentucky, praying that a post office may be established at Coffy's Ferry.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

The Speaker presented a petition of the Legislature of the Territory of Indiana, praying that the Militia of said Territory, who have been into actual service to defend it against the incursions of the Indians, may be paid out of the Treasury of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on that part of the President's Message which relates to a revision of the Militia System.

On motion of Mr. Baylies,

Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing, by law, for the payment of such sums of money as may be justly due to the masters, commanders, or owners of vessels for transporting to the United States, from foreign ports, any destitute or distressed American seamen, under contracts made with said masters or commanders by any consul, vice-consul, or commercial agent of the United States, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. M'Kee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, reported a bill giving farther time to purchasers of public lands to complete their payments; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Friday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the appointment of an additional Judge for the Missouri Territory, and for other purposes; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. King, of North Carolina, reported that the Committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the report of the Committee of Claims on the petitions of sundry inhabitants of Vincennes and of Knox county, in the Indiana Territory; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the Committee had had the said report under consideration and made some progress therein.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said report.

On motion of Mr. Pickering,

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be, and they are hereby, instructed to consider what measures are practicable and proper for preventing injuries to the

citizens of the United States, in their persons or property, by the armed forces of the United States, and to enable the sufferers to obtain indemnification for such injuries, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to subscribe, on behalf of the United States, for 750 shares of the capital stock of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Macon reported that the Committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made some progress therein.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

On motion of Mr. Lovett,

The House proceeded to consider the resolutions submitted by him on the 21st instant, and, being again read, they were referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1813.

Mr. Davis, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of Joanna Shaw, stating that her deceased husband, Joshua Shaw, sold to the United States a piece of land at the mouth of Kennebec river, and that the deed of conveyance was made without her knowledge, and praying for her right of dower in said land.

Mr. Ward, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of Harris Hampden Hickman, a Captain in the Army, praying compensation for property destroyed in the capture and destruction, by Lieutenant Elliott, of the British brig Detroit.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. King, of Massachusetts,

Ordered, That the petition of David Sewall, presented on the 22d of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Moseley,

Ordered, That the petition of Stephen Alling, presented on the 3d of December, 1811, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Dewey,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of Hoosack, in the State of New York, presented on the 11th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Comstock,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of New York, presented on the 11th of June, 1813, be referred to the same Committee.

Mr. Ridgely presented a petition of Agnes Jackson, praying compensation for a house destroyed by fire, and which communicated from the adjoining house that was occupied as a war office.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

Ordered, That the following petitions be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

Petition of sundry constables, presented on the 26th of May, 1812.

Petition of the inhabitants of Alexandria, presented on the 4th of June, 1813.

Petition of sundry inhabitants of Washington county, presented on the 14th of January, 1813.

Petition of sundry inhabitants of Alexandria, presented on the 5th of February, 1810.

Mr. M'Lean presented a petition of Dennis Clark, of the State of Ohio, praying, for reasons stated in the petition, that the moneys which he hath paid on the purchase from the public of a tract of land, may be returned to him, the said land having reverted to the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Creighton,

Ordered, That the petition of Jervis Cutler, presented on the 27th of December, 1810, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

The Speaker presented a petition of the President, Managers, and Company, for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehannah, in the county of Lancaster, in the State of Pennsylvania, at or near the town of Columbia, praying an exemption from the operation of the law taxing bank notes, having invested a large proportion of their capital stock in a banking institution.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Calhoun, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, on leave given by the House, reported a bill for the more effectual enforcing of the non-importation laws; by forbidding the Courts to deliver to the claimants, pending the trial, merchandise or other articles seized under the same; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Calhoun, from the same Committee, on leave given by the House, also reported a bill to prohibit the ransoming of ships or vessels of the United States, and the goods or merchandise on board the same, captured by the enemies thereof; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

An engrossed bill for the appointment of an additional Judge for the Missouri Territory, and for other purposes, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the appointment of an additional Judge for the Missouri Territory, and for other purposes," and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Humphreys,

Resolved, That the Committee on that part of the President's Message which relates to a revision of the Militia System, be instructed to inquire into the justice and expediency of making an appropriation by law for the payment of a detachment of the Militia of the State of Tennessee, ordered into service by the Executive of the said State, for the purpose of repelling a hostile incursion of the Creek Indians, and guarding and protecting the frontiers, which detachment was commanded by Brigadier General Thomas Johnson, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to subscribe, on behalf of the United States, for seven hundred and fifty shares of the capital stock of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Macon reported that the Committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made further progress therein, and directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill, and that it be made the order of the day for Monday, the 10th of January next.

And then the House adjourned till to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1813.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

Ordered, That the petition of the vestry and congregation of the Protestant Episcopal church in Alexandria, presented on the 26th of November, 1811; the petition of sundry inhabitants of the county of Alexandria, presented on the 31st of May, 1813; and the petition of sundry inhabitants of Fairfax county, in the State of Virginia, presented on the 19th of February, 1812; be severally referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

On motion of Mr. Lattimore,

Ordered, That the petition of John Denly and others, presented on the 28th of April, 1812, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, by leave of the House, reported a bill to amend the act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; and notes, bonds, and obligations discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of Jesse Jennett; which was read, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow,

Mr. Archer, from the same committee, also made a report on the petition of Kenzie and Forsythe; which was read, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Archer, from the same committee, by leave of the House, reported a bill to compensate Michael Hogan for the occupation of, and damages done to, his house, by a detachment of the United States' troops; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed a joint "resolution relative to the brilliant achievement of Lieutenants Burrows and McCall ;" also, a joint "resolution expressive of the sense of Congress of the gallant conduct of Captain Oliver Hazard Perry, the officers, seamen, marines, and infantry acting as such, on board of his squadron ;" in which resolutions the Senate desire the concurrence of this House.

The first mentioned joint resolution was read the first time, and, on motion, the said resolution was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

The last mentioned joint resolution was read the first time, and, on motion, the said resolution was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, respecting the lands belonging to the United States ; which was read, and referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley, that the House do come to the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to cause to be laid before this House any information in his possession, and not improper to be communicated, which may tend to illustrate the causes of the failure of the arms of the United States on the Northern frontier.

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas, 137,
 { Nays, 13.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Barnett,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Beall,
Bigelow,
Bradbury,
Bradley,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Butler,
Caperton,
Caldwell,
Champion,
Cilley,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,
Cox,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Dewey,
Duvall,
Ely,
Eppes,
Fisk, of Vt.

Mr. Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsythe,
Franklin,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Glasgow,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hale,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Hufty,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Irwin,
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Law,
Lefferts,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
McCoy,

Mr. M'Kee,
Miller,
Moffit,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pitkin,
Pleasants,
Post,
John Reed,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sage,
Schureman,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Penn.

Mr. Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Strong,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,

Mr. Taylor,
Telfair,
Thompson,
Udree,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,

Mr. White;
Wilcox,
Wilson, Mass.
Wilson, Penn.
Winter,
Wood,
Yancey,

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Bard,
Bowen,
Chappell,
Gholson,
Grosvenor,

Mr. Hanson,
Oakley,
Potter,
Sevier,

Mr. Troup,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wright.

Mr. Bradley and Mr. Oakley were appointed a committee to present the said resolution to the President.

On motion of Mr. Crouch,

Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be instructed to inquire whether any, and, if any, what, alteration or amendments are necessary to be made by law, in the acts relative to establishing the compensations of the collectors of the customs in the ports of the United States, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill granting Moses Hooke the right of pre-emption; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the committee had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. King, of North Carolina,

Ordered, That, when the House adjourns, it will meet again on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned until Monday morning eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 1814.

Mr. Sturges presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the district and town of Fairfield, in the State of Connecticut, praying that the port of Fairfield may be established as a port of entry and delivery for foreign vessels.

Ordered, That the said petition, together with the petition of sundry inhabitants of Bridgeport, in said State, presented on the 5th of July, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Taylor presented a petition of Henry Fanning, praying release from imprisonment, on an execution against him at the suit of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. M'Kim presented a petition of James H. M'Culloch, collector of duties on imports and tonnage for the port of Baltimore, praying that the rent of the custom house, clerk hire, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of his office, may be defrayed at the public expense.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Pleasants presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Virginia, praying the aid and patronage of the General Government in opening an inland navigation from the waters of Chesapeake bay to St. Mary's river, in the State of Georgia.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of the Whole House to whom is committed the bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to subscribe, on behalf of the United States, for 750 shares of the capital stock of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the Mississippi Territory, praying for further time to complete their payments for lands purchased of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Jennings presented a petition of the Legislature of the Territory of Indiana, praying that the militia of said territory, who have been called into actual service by the Governor thereof, may be paid out of the Treasury of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition do lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Jennings,

Ordered, That the petition of Daniel Perrine, presented on the 14th of November, 1811, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands, and that the petition of Captain William Piatt, presented on the 24th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a statement of the expenditure of the money drawn from the Treasury, for the use of the Military Department, for the year ending on the 1st of October, 1813; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The Speaker also laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting a statement of the expenditure of the money drawn from the Treasury, for the use of the Navy, for the year ending on the 1st of October, 1813; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Fisk, from the Committee of Elections, made a report on the petition of William Kelly, contesting the election of Thomas K. Harris, of Tennessee; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, by leave of the House, reported a bill making certain partial appropriations for the year 1814; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Eppes, from the same committee, by leave of the House, reported a bill to amend the 7th section of the act, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States;" which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

Mr. M'Kee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, reported a bill for the relief of Daniel Boone ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Lowndes, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported the joint resolution from the Senate, "relative to the brilliant achievement of Lieutenants Burrows and M'Call;" also, the joint resolution from the Senate, "expressive of the sense of Congress of the gallant conduct of Captain Oliver Hazard Perry, the officers, seamen, marines, and infantry acting as such, on board of his squadron," without amendment.

Ordered, That the said resolutions, together with the letter from the Secretary of the Navy, which accompanies them, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-day.

On motion of Mr. Webster,

Ordered, That the Message of the President of the United States of the 12th of July last, together with the report of the Committee of Foreign Relations made thereon at the last session, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House.

It was further moved by Mr. Webster, that it be made the order of the day for Monday next.

A motion was made by Mr. Wright, that it be made the order of the day for the 4th of March next.

And the question being taken, thereon,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 69,
Nays 82.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Archer,
Avery,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Caldwell,
Clark,
Comstock,
Conard,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,

Mr. Eppes,
Evans,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Glasgow,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Hall,
Hubbard,
Ingham,
Jackson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.

Mr. Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. Carolina,
Lefferts,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
Moore,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,

Mr. Ringgold,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,

Mr. Smith, of Pa.
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,

Mr. Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. Jersey,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Anderson,
Barnett,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Butler,
Caperton,
Calhoun,
Champion,
Chapell,
Cheves,
Cilley,
Clopton,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Davis, of Penn.
Dewey,
Ely,
Fisk, of Vermont,
Gaston,
Geddes,

Mr. Gholson,
Grosvenor,
Grundy,
Hale,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hufty,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Irwin,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
Kerr,
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Lean,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Pickering,
Pitkin,

Mr. Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Ridgely,
Roberts,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass'tts,
Winter.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Webster, to make it the order of the day for Monday next.

And the question being put,
It passed in the affirmative.

An engrossed bill granting Moses Hooke the right of pre-emption was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act granting Moses Hooke the right of pre-emption;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

Mr. Bradley, from the committee appointed on the 31st ultimo, to present a resolution to the President of the United States, reported that the committee had performed that service, and that the President answered that it should receive due attention.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, on the joint resolution submitted by Mr. Pickens, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said resolution under consideration, and made some progress therein.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 1814.

John G. Jackson, from Virginia, appeared and took his seat.

Mr. Webster presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Hanover, in the state of New Hampshire, praying that a tax may be imposed upon domestic distilled spirits.

Mr. Davis, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of Mark Langdon Hill and Thomas M'Cobb, of the State of Massachusetts, praying a remission of a part of the duties imposed upon the importation of a quantity of raisins, which, by the upsetting of a vessel, have been subsequently lost to the petitioners.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. King, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Oxford County, in the District of Maine, praying that a post route may be established from Lovell, to Fryeburgh.

Mr. Davis, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the town of Bowdoinham, in the District of Maine, praying that no alteration may be made in the post route from Brunswick to Augusta.

Ordered, That the said petitions, together with the petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Massachusetts, presented on the 12th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Wood presented a petition of John Whiting, of the District of Maine, praying compensation for services rendered and expenses incurred as a captain of a company of volunteers, raised under the acts of Congress.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Wheaton,

Ordered, That the petition of Daniel Goodwin, executor of Benjamin Goodwin, deceased, presented on the 15th of January, 1795, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Davis, of Massachusetts,

Ordered, That the petition of Hugh Mulloy, presented on the 31st of May, 1813, be referred to the same committee.

Mr. Wood presented a petition of Stephen Post, of the District of Maine, stating that, from his attachment to the cause of his country in the Revolutionary War, he abandoned a considerable landed and personal estate in the British Dominions, and has not been able to recover the same, and praying relief.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Post presented a petition of the Manufacturers and Mechanics of the city of New York, stating that the Collector of the internal duties for the District of New York has so construed the act laying duties on the retailers of foreign merchandise, as to be applicable to every species of domestic manufacture in which foreign merchandise is employed, and praying the interposition of Congress.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Avery presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the Counties of Cayuga and Onondago, in the State of New York, praying that a post route may be established from Aurelius to Sempronius.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Lefferts presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the city of New York, praying that an act may be passed to incorporate a National Bank, with a capital of thirty millions of dollars.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Lyle,

Ordered, That the petition of James Derrick, presented on the 17th of November, 1812, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Roberts,

Ordered, That the petition of Captain John Craig, presented on the 18th of January, 1811, be referred to the same committee.

On motion of Mr. Crbuch,

Ordered, That the petition of Agnes and Mary Smith, presented on the 27th of December, 1811, be referred to the same committee.

Mr. Lyle presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Beaver County, Pennsylvania, praying that a post route may be established from the town of Beaver to Burgettstown.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the petition of John Pitchlyn, presented on the 19th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Kent, of Maryland, presented a petition of the President and Directors of the Farmers' Bank of Alexandria, praying that an act may be passed, extending their present charter to the year 1834.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

Mr. M'Kim presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Baltimore County, in the

State of Maryland, complaining of oppression and extortion on the part of Oliver Evans, in the exercise of his patent right to certain mill-machinery.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the committee appointed on the petition of said Oliver Evans.

Mr. Macon presented a petition of John Minor, senior, praying compensation for services rendered by his brother, Reuben Minor, deceased, as a soldier in the Revolutionary Army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Troup presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Georgia, praying the aid and patronage of Congress in opening an inland navigation, which shall connect the waters of Chesapeake Bay with those of St. Mary's river, in Georgia.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to subscribe, on behalf of the United States, for 750 shares of the capital stock of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company.

Mr. Ormsby presented a petition of Mary Wells, praying compensation for a quantity of corn which was taken in the autumn of the year 1812, for the use of the Army commanded by General Harrison.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Jennings,

Ordered, That the petition of John Patterson, presented on the 28th of December, 1812, and the petition of Louis Mallet and Pierre Queret, senior, presented on the 7th of January, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Jennings presented sundry documents and accounts relating to the subject of the memorial of the Legislature of the Territory of Indiana, presented on the 3d instant; which were read, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of Mary Philip Leduc; which was read, and

Mr. Archer, by leave of the House, presented a bill for the relief of Mary Philip Leduc; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. M'Kee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, made a report on the petition of Dennis Clarke; which was read, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Troup, from the Committee on Military Affairs, by leave of the House, reported a bill allowing compensation for horses owned by militia or volunteers, and killed or lost in the service of the United States; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Troup,

Ordered, That the Committee on Military Affairs be discharged from the consideration of the resolution of the 21st ult. respecting the length of a tour of militia duty; and that the said resolution be referred to the committee on that part of the President's Message which relates to a revision of the militia system.

Mr. Bond, from a Select Committee, by leave of the House, reported a bill to authorize the opening a road from Shawanee town, on the Ohio river, in the Illinois Territory, to the United States' saline, and from thence to the town of Kaskaskia; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

Mr. Lowndes, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported the following resolution:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be requested to present to the nearest male relative of Captain James Lawrence, a gold medal, and a silver medal to each of the commissioned officers who served under him in the sloop of war Hornet, in her conflict with the British vessel of war "the Peacock," in testimony of the high sense entertained by Congress of the gallantry and good conduct of the officers and crew in the capture of that vessel: And the President is also requested to communicate to the nearest relative of Captain Lawrence, the sense which Congress entertains of the loss which the naval service of the United States has since sustained in the death of that distinguished officer.

The said resolution was read, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the resolutions from the Senate, relative to the brilliant achievement of Lieutenants Bur-

rows and M'Call, and expressive of the sense entertained by Congress of the conduct of Captain Perry, his officers and men, in the capture of the British fleet on Lake Erie.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill making certain partial appropriations for the service of the year 1814; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Moore reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments therein; which were read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed and read the third time to-day.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting the Annual Report of the Director of the Mint; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

An engrossed bill for the relief of Daniel Boone was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Daniel Boone;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the resolutions from the Senate, "relative to the brilliant achievement of Lieutenants Burrows and M'Call," and "expressive of the sense of Congress of the gallant conduct of Captain Oliver Hazard Perry, the officers, seamen, marines, and infantry acting as such, on board of his squadron;" as also, on the resolution of this House relative to the brilliant achievement of Captain James Lawrence, in the capture of the British vessel of war Peacock; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the committee had had the said resolutions under consideration, and made no amendment to the resolutions from the Senate, and made an amendment to the resolution of this House; which was read, and concurred in, and the said resolution was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to-day.

Ordered, That the resolutions from the Senate be also read the third time to-day.

The said resolutions from the Senate were then severally read the third time, and passed, *unanimously*, by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the resolution submitted by Mr. Pickens, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said resolution under consideration, and disagreed thereto.

The House proceeded to consider the report of the Committee of the Whole House: when

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1813.

Mr. Sherwood presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Broome County, in the State of New York, praying that a post route may be established from Jerico to Caroline.

Ordered, That the said petition, together with the petition of sundry inhabitants of Broome and Cortlandt Counties, in said State, presented on the 9th of July, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Hasbrouck presented a petition of Christopher N. Kiersted, praying a discharge from confinement, on judgments obtained by the United States against him.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Crawford,

Ordered, That the petition of Isaac Deardorff, presented on the 22d of June, 1813, be referred to the committee appointed on the petition of Oliver Evans.

On motion of Mr. McKim,

Ordered, That the petition of James Anderson, presented on the 8th of November, 1811, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Kent, of Maryland, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the City of Washington, praying that a law may be passed, authorizing the laying off into lots, and the sale of the vacant and unappropriated ground lying between the Capitol and the Potomac river, and that the proceeds of said ground may be applied to altering the course of the canal, and filling up certain marshy grounds.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

On motion of Mr. Gholson,

Ordered, That the petition of Amey Dardin, presented on the 27th of December, 1804, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Wood,

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn'a.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Fisk, of Vermont,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,

Mr. Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,

Mr. Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn'a.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Virg'a.
Stanford,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn'a.
Wright,
Yancey.

The question was then taken that the said bill do pass,

And passed in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act making certain partial appropriations for the service of the year 1814;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

An engrossed resolution relative to the brilliant achievement of Captain James Lawrence, in the capture of the British vessel of war the Peacock, was read the third time, and passed *unanimously*.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said resolution to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "for the relief of Richard Dale."

The following proposition to amend the Constitution of the United States, was submitted by Mr. Jackson, of Virginia ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, two thirds of both Houses concurring, That the following articles be proposed to the Legislatures of the several States, as amendments to the Constitution of the United States, each of which, when ratified by three-fourths of the said Legislatures, shall be valid, to all intents and purposes, as part of the said Constitution :

1. Congress shall have power to lay a tax or duty not exceeding ten per centum ad valorem on articles exported from any State.

2. Congress shall have power to make roads in any State.

3. Congress shall have power to make canals in any State, with the consent of the State within which the same shall be made.

4. Congress shall have power to establish a national bank, with branches thereof, in any State.

The House resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday, on the

report of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, on the proposition submitted by Mr. Pickens, to amend the Constitution of the United States.

On motion of Mr. Gaston,

Ordered, That the farther consideration of the said report be postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined two joint resolutions, to wit :

“Relative to the brilliant achievement of Lieutenants Burrows and M’Call,” and the other “expressive of the sense entertained by Congress, of the conduct of Captain Oliver Hazard Perry, the officers, seamen, marines, and infantry, acting as such, on board of his squadron,” and found the same to be truly enrolled : When

The Speaker signed the said resolutions.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making it the duty of the Attorney General of the United States to keep his office at the Seat of Government during the sessions of Congress, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to amend the 7th section of the act, entitled “An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States ;” and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Desha reported that the committee had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto ; which were again read at the Clerk’s table, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o’clock.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1814.

Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of Jeremiah O’Brien, Collector of the port of Machias, in the District of Maine, praying that the public may make payment for supplies purchased, and that the men employed by him in the defence of that port against the enemy, may be also paid by the public.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Kent, of New York, presented a petition of Thomas B. Benedict, of Ogdensburgh, in said State, praying to be paid for property which was destroyed by the British forces upon the capture of Ogdensburgh aforesaid.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Ingham presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Wayne County, Pennsylvania, praying that a post route may be established from Newton, in New Jersey, to Milford, in said county.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Ingersoll presented a petition of Catharine Robertson, late widow of Jacob Ritter, deceased, praying to be repaid the moneys expended by said Ritter, as an Assistant in the Quartermaster’s Department of the Revolutionary Army ; as also, for his services as aforesaid.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Ingersoll,

Ordered, That the petition of Jacob Clement, presented on the 2d of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Archer presented a petition of Samuel Frazier, praying to be paid the bounty to which he is entitled for services as a soldier in the Revolutionary Army.

Ordered, That the said petition, together with the petition of William Smith, presented on the 15th of January, 1805, and the petition of Maria S. Tyson, presented on the 30th of January, 1811, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Ormsby presented a petition of James Patton, praying to be relieved from the payment of a judgment obtained against him by the United States, as surety in certain revenue bonds.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Creighton presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Wash-

ington, Athens, and Gallia, in Ohio, praying for the establishment of a post route from Belpre to Gallipolis.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. M'Lean,

Ordered, That the petition of Chloe Strong, presented on the 3d of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Kilbourn and Mr. Jennings severally presented petitions from sundry inhabitants of the several States and Territories West of the Allegany mountains, praying that donations of land may be granted to actual settlers on the Northwestern frontier of the United States, the better to protect the said frontier.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Lattimore,

Ordered, That the petition of Benjamin Farar and others, presented on the 7th of June, 1809, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the committee appointed on the petition of Oliver Evans, to whom was referred, on the 4th instant, the petition of sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, in the State of Maryland, made a report on the said petition; which was read, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Jennings,

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be, and they are hereby, instructed to inquire into the expediency of compensating Captain William Hargrove, his officers and privates, for services rendered to the United States as mounted rangers on the Northwestern frontier.

A motion was made by Mr. Murfree, that the House do come to the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of empowering, by law, the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint one lieutenant general to command the armies of the United States, with such powers, pay, and emoluments, as may be deemed expedient.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. M'Kim,

Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be instructed to inquire whether any, and, if any, what, amendments are necessary to the laws laying and collecting a duty on imports and tonnage, with a view to prevent frauds, and more perfectly to secure the revenue arising from this source, and that the committee have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

A motion was made by Mr. Sharp, that the House do come to the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the militia of any of these United States, or the territories thereof, when lawfully employed in the service of the United States, are subject to the same rules and articles of war as the troops of the United States.

Resolved, That every person not subject to the rules and articles of war, who shall procure or entice a soldier in the service of the United States to *desert*, is guilty of an infraction of the laws of the United States, and subject to punishment.

Resolved, That his Excellency Martin Chittenden, Governor of the State of Vermont, by issuing his proclamation, dated at Montpelier, on the 10th day of November, in the year of our Lord 1813, did entice soldiers in the service of the United States to *desert*.

Therefore, *Resolved*, That the President of the United States be, and he is, hereby, requested to instruct the Attorney General of the United States to institute a prosecution against the said Martin Chittenden.

The said resolutions were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

An engrossed bill to amend the seventh section of the act, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to amend the 7th section of the act, entitled 'An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States;'" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The House resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of the 4th instant; and the question to concur with the Committee of the Whole House in their disagreement to the resolution submitted by Mr. Pickens, to amend the Constitution of the United States, being stated, it was, on motion of Mr. Calhoun,

Ordered, That the said report do lie on the table.

The following message, in writing, was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States :

I transmit, for the information of Congress, copies of a letter from the British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to the Secretary State, with the answer of the latter.

In appreciating the accepted proposal of the Government of Great Britain for instituting negotiations for peace, Congress will not fail to keep in mind, that vigorous preparations for carrying on the war can in no respect impede the progress to a favorable result ; whilst a relaxation of such preparations, should the wishes of the United States for a speedy restoration of the blessings of peace be disappointed, would necessarily have the most injurious consequences.

JAMES MADISON.

January 6, 1814.

The said message and documents were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Another message, in writing, was also received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, as follows :

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States :

I communicate, for the information of Congress, the report of the Director of the Mint, of the operation of that establishment, during the last year.

JAMES MADISON.

January 6, 1814.

The said message was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "making certain partial appropriations for the service of the year 1814," with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of this House. The Senate have also passed, *unanimously*, the "resolution relative to the brilliant achievement of Captain James Lawrence, in the capture of the British vessel of war Peacock."

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7, 1814.

Mr. Wheaton presented a petition of Paul Cuffe, a free colored man, who states, that, from motives of religion and humanity, he hath been induced to attempt the civilization and amelioration of the condition of the inhabitants of the African Continent, and praying permission for a vessel to depart from the United States, to Sierra Leone, for the purpose of carrying a number of families of free Colored People, to effect the object of his undertaking.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Ringgold,

Ordered, That the petition of Joseph Forrest, presented on the 4th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Nelson presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Albemarle county, in Virginia, praying that a post route may be established from Madison Court House to Colonel Charles Yancey's, in said county.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

Ordered, That the petition of Colonel Daniel Newman, presented on the 1st of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Sharp presented a petition of the Directors of the Washington Library Company of the city of Washington, praying for an act of incorporation for said Library.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

Mr. Beall, Mr. Kilbourn, and Mr. Bond, severally presented petitions from sundry inhabitants of the several States and Territories West of the Allegany mountains, to the same effect with the petitions presented yesterday from other inhabitants of the said States and Territories.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Lattimore,

Ordered, That the petition of William Coleman, presented on the 19th of January, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

On motion of Mr. Archer.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of Rebecca Hodgson; which was read, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Ingersoll,

Mr. Ingersoll, Mr. Barnett, Mr. Roane, Mr. Humphreys, and Mr. Shipherd were appointed the said committee.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, yesterday, present to the President of the United States, two resolutions, to wit:

A resolution relative to the brilliant achievement of Lieutenants Burrows and M'Call;
and

A resolution expressive of the sense of Congress of the gallant conduct of Captain Oliver H. Perry, the officers, seamen, marines, and infantry acting as such, on board of his squadron.

A motion was made by Mr. Grosvenor, that the House do come to the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the acts, rules, and regulations, by which furloughs and leave of absence from the armies of the United States are obtained by officers thereof, and whether the said acts, rules, and regulations, ought to be revised, altered, and amended, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The amendment of the Senate to the resolution relative to the brilliant achievement of Captain James Lawrence, in the capture of the British vessel of war, the Peacock, was read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The amendment of the Senate to the bill "making certain partial appropriations for the service of the year 1814," were read, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-day.

The House then resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the said amendments; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Moore reported that the Committee had had the said amendments under consideration, and agreed thereto.

The said amendments were then again read at the Clerk's table, when the first was concurred in.

And on the question being taken to concur in the second, which is as follows :

"Towards defraying the expenses of the Navy of the United States, for the year 1814, the sum of one million of dollars,"

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas, 99,
 { Nays, 52.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell.

**Mr. Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Cheves,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,**

Mr. Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,

Mr. Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.

Mr. Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lewis,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
McCoy,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.

Mr. Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cox,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Jackson, of R. I.

Mr. King, of Mass.
Law,
Lovett,
Macon,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,

Mr. Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a statement of moneys appropriated for the Military Department, for the year 1813; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The President of the United States did, yesterday, approve and sign the joint resolutions, the presentation of which was reported this day.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

Ordered, That, when the House adjourns, it will meet again on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned until Monday morning, eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 1814.

Another member, to wit : from Massachusetts, William M. Richardson, appeared and took his seat.

Mr. Lyle presented a petition of George Hamilton, of the State of Pennsylvania, praying to be relieved from the payment of moneys due to the United States, for which he became liable in his capacity of Sheriff of Washington county, in said State.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Tannehill,

Ordered, That the petition of Susannah Taylor, presented on the 3d of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Kerr,

Ordered, That the petition of James Sawers, presented on the 15th of December, 1809, be referred to the same committee.

Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Harrison county, in the State of Virginia, praying that a post route may be established from Clarksburgh to Wheeling.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Duvall presented a petition of Philip Michaels, of Virginia, praying that the United States will relinquish their claim to a small piece of land lying in Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, to which land the petitioner conceives he has a legal title.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Kilbourn presented petitions from sundry inhabitants of the States and Territories West of the Allegheny Mountains, to the same effect with the petitions from other inhabitants of the said States and territories, presented on the 6th instant.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Bond presented a petition of the Legislature of the Illinois Territory, praying that measures may be adopted for confirming certain species of claims to lands in said Territory.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Troup, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a bill making further provision for filling the ranks of the regular army, encouraging enlistments, and authorizing the re-enlistment, for longer periods, of men whose terms of service are about to expire; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

Mr. Troup, from the same committee, by leave of the House, reported a bill to raise three additional regiments of riflemen; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Friday next.

Mr. Troup, from the same committee, by leave of the House, reported a bill authorizing the President to raise, for five years, or for the war, fourteen of the regiments authorized by the act of the 29th of January, 1813; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

Mr. Fisk, from the Committee of Elections, made a report on the petition of John Taliaferro, contesting the election of John P. Hungerford, one of the Representatives from the State of Virginia; which was read, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, made a report on the petition of the President and Directors of a Company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehannah, at Columbia; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition ought not to be granted.

Mr. Eppes, from the same committee, also made a report on the petition of Richard Mitchell; which was read, and

Mr. Eppes presented a bill for the relief of Richard Mitchell; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

Mr. Eppes, from the same committee, also made a report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of the city of New York; which was read, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. Eppes, from the same committee, made a report on the resolution instructing them to inquire into the expediency of amending the first section of the act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise; which was read, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

Mr. McKee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, by leave of the House, reported a bill granting to the President and Directors of the Orleans Navigation Company, and their successors, a lot of ground; which was read the first time; and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petitions of John Sees, Hugh Ross, and Captain John Craig; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the said petitions ought not to be granted.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the acting Secretary of the Trea-

Mr. Seybert,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Taylor,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood,
Yancey.

Mr. Hale,
Hanson,
Hufty,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Jackson, of R. I.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
King, of Mass.,
Law,
Lewis,

Mr. Lovett,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
McLean,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Nelson,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,

Mr. Pleasants,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
Wm. Reed,
Ridgely,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.

Mr. Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Troup,
Vose,
Ward of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crouch,
Davis, of Pa.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findlay,
Fisk, of Vt.

Mr. Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
McCoy,
McKim,
Moore,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,

Mr. Pickins,
Piper,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Roberts,
Sage,
Sevier,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1814.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of Ezekiel Gardner, of the State of New Hampshire, praying compensation for shoes furnished to the Revolutionary army.

Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of Philip Ulmer, praying for a pension in consideration of wounds received whilst an officer in the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Moore presented a petition of George St. Clare, praying additional compensation for wood furnished to this House.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to Mr. Moore, Mr. Evans, Mr. Davenport, Mr. Geddes, and Mr. Franklin.

Mr. Telfair presented a petition of John P. Williamson and Thomas Rice, of the State of Georgia, praying to be exonerated from the payment of a part of the judgment recovered against them by the United States, as sureties for Benjamin Wall, late Marshal of that State, for reasons stated at large in the petition.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Humphreys presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Tennessee, praying that certain lands in that State may be set apart to satisfy warrants already issued under the authority of the United States, and that lands which have been located prior to the year 1790, may be re-surveyed.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Creighton presented a petition of James Denny, Major of the first battalion first regiment of Ohio volunteers, on behalf of the non-commissioned officers and privates in said regiment, praying compensation for undrawn rations.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Kilbourn presented a petition of John Statler, praying compensation for supplies furnished to the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Alexander and Mr. Jennings presented petitions from sundry inhabitants of the States and Territories West of the Allegheny mountains, to the same effect with the petitions from other inhabitants of said States and Territories, presented on the 6th instant.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. M'Lean,

Ordered, That the petition of John Armstrong, Attorney for the heirs of Richard Macarty, presented on the 1st of June, 1809, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Robertson,

Ordered, That the petitions of Zenon Orso, and Benjamin Dubrocar, presented on the 12th February, 1812, be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of the Legislature of the Mississippi Territory, praying that further time may be given to purchasers of public land to complete their payments.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the bill to grant further time to purchasers of public lands to complete their payments.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of Ann Brown; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That Elizabeth Warner have leave to withdraw her petition.

Mr. Lowndes, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, by leave of the House, reported a bill further to amend the act regulating pensions to persons on board of private armed ships; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Friday next.

Mr. Ingersoll, from a Select Committee, reported a bill to provide for the appointment of Postmasters; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Pickins,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so altering the Post Route leading by Rutherfordton, in North Carolina, as to lead from Morganton instead of Lincolnton.

On motion of Pearson,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post-route from Chatham Court House, by Liberty, Isaac Causcy's, Centre Meeting House, and Shubel Gardner's, to Lexington, in the State of North Carolina: Also, that they inquire into the expediency of establishing a Post Route from Salisbury, by Beatty's ford, to Lincolnton, in North Carolina.

On motion of Mr. Kilbourn,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a Post Route from Marietta to the town of New Lancaster, in the State of Ohio.

The House resumed the consideration of the resolutions submitted yesterday by Mr. Hanson, and being again read, the first of the said resolutions was concurred in by the House.

The question was then stated to concur in the second resolution: When

A motion was made by Mr. Fisk, of New York, to postpone the said resolution until the first Monday in March next.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 37,
 { Nays 127.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Anderson,
Alston,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Bowen,
Brown,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Comstock,
Conard,
Davis, of Penn.
Dawson,

Mr. Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Evans,
Farrow,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Glasgow,
Griffin,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Humphreys,

Mr. Kershaw,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
M'Kim,
Ormsby,
Rich,
Sage,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Tannehill,
Wilson, of Penn.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Archer,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Beall,
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Bradley,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Burwell,
Caperton,
Calhoun,
Champion,
Chappell,
Cheves,
Cilley,
Clark,
Clopton,
Cox,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Duvall,
Ely,
Eppes,
Findley,
Forney,
Forsyth,
Frankin,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Gholson,
Gourdin,
Grosvenor,
Grundy,
Hale,
Hanson,

Mr. Hawes,
Hubbard,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Maryland,
Kerr,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Lean,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Mosely,
Murfree,
Markell,
Nelson,
Newton,
Oakley,
Parker,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pitkin,
Pleasants,
Post,
Potter,

Mr. John Reed,
William Reed,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Richardson,
Ridgley,
Ringgold,
Roan,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shiperd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Strong,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Telfair,
Thompson,
Troup,
Udree,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Whitehill,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood,
Wright,
Yancey.

A motion was then made by Mr. Bayly, of Virginia, to amend the said second resolution by striking out all of the same from the word "that," where it first occurs, and to insert the following :

"The President be, and he is hereby, requested to cause to be laid before this House, any correspondence with, or communication in writing from, the late Minister of France, resident at Washington, on or about the 14th of June, 1809, or subsequently, with his

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|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Mr. Alexander, | Mr. Evans, | Mr. Moffit, |
| Alston, | Farrow, | Montgomery, |
| Anderson, | Findley, | Moore, |
| Archer, | Fisk, of Vt. | Moseley, |
| Avery, | Fisk, of N. Y. | Murfree, |
| Bard, | Forney, | Markell, |
| Barnett, | Forsyth, | Nelson, |
| Baylies, of Mass. | Franklin, | Newton, |
| Beall, | Gaston, | Oakley, |
| Bigelow, | Gholson, | Ormsby, |
| Bowen, | Glasgow, | Parker, |
| Boyd, | Gourdin, | Pearson, |
| Bradbury, | Griffin, | Pickering, |
| Bradley, | Grosvenor, | Pickins, |
| Breckenridge, | Hale, | Piper, |
| Brigham, | Hanson, | Pitkin, |
| Brown, | Harris, | Pleasants, |
| Burwell, | Hasbrouck, | Post, |
| Butler, | Hawes, | Potter, |
| Caperton, | Hubbard, | John Reed, |
| Caldwell, | Humphreys, | William Reed, |
| Calhoun, | Hungerford, | Rea, of Penn. |
| Champion, | Ingersoll, | Rhea, of Tenn. |
| Chappell, | Ingham, | Rich, |
| Cheves, | Irwin, | Ringgold, |
| Cilley, | Jackson, of R. I. | Roane, |
| Clark, | Jackson, of Va. | Ruggles, |
| Clopton, | Johnson, of Va. | Sage, |
| Comstock, | Kennedy, | Schureman, |
| Conard, | Kent, of N. Y. | Sevier, |
| Cox, | Kent, of Maryland, | Seybert, |
| Crawford, | Kerr, | Sharp, |
| Creighton, | Kershaw, | Sheffey, |
| Crouch, | Kilbourn, | Sherwood, |
| Davenport, | King, of Mass. | Shipherd, |
| Davis, of Mass. | King, of N. C. | Skinner, |
| Davis, of Pa. | Law, | Smith, of N. Y. |
| Dawson, | Lefferts, | Smith, of Penn. |
| Denoyelles, | Lewis, | Stanford, |
| Desha, | Lovett, | Stockton, |
| Dewey, | Lyle, | Stuart, |
| Duvall, | Macon, | Sturges, |
| Earle, | M'Coy, | Taggart, |
| Ely, | McLean, | Tallmadge, |
| Eppes, | Miller, | Telfair, |

Mr. Thompson,
Troup,
Udree,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.

Mr. Ward, of N. J.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Whitehill,
Wilcox,

Mr. Wilson, of Mass.
Wilson, of Penn.
Winter,
Wright,
Yancey.

The question was then taken to agree to the said second resolution,

And was determined in the negative, { Yeas 60,
Nays 100.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hanson,

Mr. Hufty,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,

Mr. Ridgely,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Bayly, of Va.
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Cheves,
Clark,
Clopton
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,

Mr. Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Maryland,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,

Mr. Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Richardson,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sevier,
Seibert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Telfair,

Mr. Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.

Mr. Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright,

Mr. Yancey.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1814.

On motion of Mr. Richardson,

Ordered, That the petition of Daniel D. Parker and others, presented on the 13th of July, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Ely,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Massachusetts, presented on the 12th of January, 1813, and the petition of sundry inhabitants of Hampden county, in said State, presented on the 1st of March, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the petition of Peter Mills, of New York, presented on the 13th of April, 1812, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Desha,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of Kentucky, presented on the 8th of January, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Jennings presented a petition of the Legislature of the Indiana Territory, praying that a post route from Lawrenceburgh to Salisbury, in said Territory, may be extended to Eaton and Hamilton, in the State of Ohio.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Bond presented a petition of the Legislature of the Illinois Territory, praying for a grant of a certain tract of land in said Territory, containing salt springs and works, on conditions mentioned in the petition.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, by leave of the House reported a bill to satisfy the claim of Mary Wells, executrix of William Wells, deceased; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Archer, from the same committee, also made a report on the petition of John Pitchlyn; which was read, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "granting Moses Hooke the right of pre-emption." The Senate have also passed a bill "authorizing the President of the United States to cause certain regiments therein mentioned, to be enlisted for five years, or during the war," in which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said bill was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House to whom is committed the bill of this House authorizing the President to raise, for five years, or for the war, fourteen of the regiments authorized by the act of the 29th of January, 1813.

A motion was made by Mr. Roberts, that the House do come to the following resolution:

Resolved, That the President be, and he is hereby, requested to cause to be laid before this House any correspondence with, or communication in writing from, the late Minister of France, resident at Washington, on or about the 14th of June, 1809, or subsequently with his successor, M. Serrurier, prescribing or declaring the terms and conditions upon which their Sovereign would consent to treat of amity and commerce with the United States, if any such correspondence or communication be in the possession of the Executive; and, if none such be in the possession of the Executive, that the President be, and he is hereby, requested to inform this House, unless the public interest forbid such disclosure, whether there has not been such a correspondence or communication, which was drawn from the archives of the Department of State; and, if so, *when* and *how* the same was so withdrawn.

A motion was made by Mr. Webster to amend the said resolution by striking out from the word "Resolved," to the end thereof, and to insert the following:

"That a committee of this House be appointed to inquire into the manner in which, and time when, a paper, purporting to be a letter from the French Minister to the Se-

cretary of State, dated on or about the 14th of June, 1809, was withdrawn from the possession of the Department of State, and how it came into the possession of a Member of this House, with powers to send for persons and papers, and that they report the evidence to the House."

A motion was then made by Mr. Taylor, that the said resolution be postponed until the first Monday in July next.

And the question being taken thereon,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 67,
 { Nays 98.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Anderson,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Butler,
Cheves,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Davis, of Pa.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Evans,
Findley,

Mr. Fisk, of Vermont,
Fisk, of New York,
Forney,
Forsyth,
Geddes,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Kennedy,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,

Mr. M'Kee,
M'Kim,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Potter,
Rich,
Richardson,
Roan,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Archer,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Brown,
Burwell,
Caperton,
Caldwell,
Champion,
Chappell,
Cilly,
Cooper,
Cox,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass'tts.
Dewey,
Ely,
Eppes,
Farrow,

Mr. Gaston,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hanson,
Hufty,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Lean,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Newton.

Mr. Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Pleasants,
Post,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Roberts,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sharp,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Penn'a.
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Strong,
Stuart,
Sturges,

Mr. Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Tannehill,
Thompson,
Troup,
Udree,

Mr. Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.

Mr. Wilson, of Pa.
Winter,
Wood,
Wright,
Yancey.

The question then recurred on the amendment proposed by Mr. Webster; and debate arising,

Mr. Barnett called for the previous question, which was not demanded by a majority of the members present.

The question was taken on the amendment proposed by Mr. Webster,

And was determined in the negative, { Yeas 62,
Nays 98.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hanson,
Hufty,
Hungerford,

Mr. Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffit,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Richardson,

Mr. Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Bayly, of Va.
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Cheves,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,

Mr. Culpeper,
Davis, of Pa.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,

Mr. Humphreys,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Lean,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.

Mr. Rich,
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Roan,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,

Mr. Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,

Mr. Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

A motion was then made, by Mr. Hanson, to amend the resolution by striking out from the word "Resolved," to the end of the same, and to insert the following :

"That this House will, on the ——— day of ——— next, receive evidence, at the bar of this House, of the manner in which, and the time when, a certain paper, purporting to be a letter from the French Minister, to the Secretary of State, bearing date on or about the 14th day of June, 1809, was withdrawn from the Department of State ; and how it came into the possession of a member of this House."

And the question being taken thereon,

It was determined in the negative, } Yeas, 61,
 } Nays, 103.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hanson,

Mr. Hufty,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,

Mr. Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Bayly, of Va.
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Cheves,
Clark,

Mr. Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Ver.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,

Mr. Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,

Mr. Keat, of Md.

Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Lean,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,

Mr. Parker,

Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Richardson,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,

Mr. Skinner,

Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright,
Yancey.

A motion was then made, by Mr. Gaston, to amend the resolution by striking out from the word "requested," to the end thereof, and to insert the following :

"To inform this House whether a letter was transmitted to the Department of State, by the Minister of France, addressed to Mr. Robert Smith, Secretary of State, purporting to bear date at Baltimore, 14th of June, 1809, whereof the following is a translation :

"Sir : The Federal Government is going to settle all its differences with Great Britain, and to make a treaty of amity, of commerce, and of navigation, with that Power. You, as well as Mr. Gallatin, have manifested to me a desire, also, to make a new convention with France, to take the place of that which expires on the 30th of September next.

"I will, for a moment, call to your consideration this double object which the Federal Government proposes to itself, and the difficulties of accomplishing it in a manner advantageous for all the contracting parties. My just deference for your Government, sir, does not permit me to make any observation on the haste with which the Executive has received the first overtures of the English Ministry, yet composed of the same men who very lately discovered a very manifest aversion to every species of conciliation, and who joined to a denial of justice to the Americans, every asperity of forms, of tone, and of style, towards the agents of your Government.

"If I have supposed that this very haste was necessary to satisfy the wishes of the People, of whom foresight is not the first virtue, others may see in that political proceeding, a precipitation, perhaps dangerous ; and, if it does not lessen the dignity of the Executive, may, at least, produce consequences prejudicial to the *true* interests of the *Union*. It is on these very interests, much more than on those of France, as its enlarged and liberal policy, its principles of universal justice, and the elements of which its power is composed, have placed it beyond all attacks ; it is only on the interest of your country that I fix my attention, and invoke your's under a circumstance so delicate.

"My correspondence with your predecessor, is enough to convince you, sir, that I have not left him ignorant of the dangers of the crisis of Europe. and its inevitable effects on the destiny of the States of the American Union. Positive and multiplied information on the events of the other continent, and their probable results, has enabled me, sometimes to reach a Power who had proclaimed its contempt for the rights of nations ; and, without doubt, the Americans were the People the most interested in the success of that political act. There are, however, American merchants, who, by all the means of the most shameful deception, have endeavored to elude the measures of France, and to second the efforts of the common enemy to escape them, and have, at length, by their multiplied and proven frauds, provoked the more severe dispositions of the decree of Milan. Thus, not only were the measures of France justified as measures of retaliation, but they were indispensable to free the American commerce from the yoke which Great Britain had placed on it ; to cause to be respected, in future, the flag of neutrals, and to force that power to acknowledge the common right of nations, and the dominion of the seas ; and the confiscation, the sale, and the burning of some American merchant vessels, having false papers, and navigating, in contempt of the prohibitions of their own Government, to favor the enemies of France, have been legal measures, conformable to the rights of war, and which, the force of circumstances, and the interest of all, imperiously required. But I appeal to you, sir,

the council of Washington, of which you were then also a member, has it given all the necessary attention to the representations made on this subject by M. Champagny to Mr. Armstrong, as well as to those which I considered it my duty to address to the Secretary of State? Has it been possible to make known through the United States, all the advantages which the American People ought to find in the accomplishment of the designs of France; to discuss its projects in the calm of impartiality; to cause the voice of reason and of principles to be heard, when the declamations of error or of bad faith, when the influence of prepossessions and the clamors of party spirit preserved their empire over the public opinion, or, rather, received a new force from the incertitude, or the silence of the [former] ancient Executive Council? That disposition, almost general, to attribute wrongs to France, by way of weakening the outrages of England: was it foreign to the Administration of which I speak? And that Administration, has it always been willing to hear me, while I made it perceive the consequences of the conduct of the Federal Government, in regard to the French Government? Was this Administration well convinced that all Governments are not disposed to forget or to suffer injuries with impunity?

"In recalling to your recollection, sir, the wrongs of the Federal Government, towards France, I only mention notorious acts which my former correspondence has established, observing to you, at the same time, that I understand, according to their class, [*je comprends dans leur cathagorie*] the particular offences of your citizens; for every Government is bound, [*est solidaire*] in regard to other Powers, for the acts of its subjects, otherwise it would not be a Government, and could not offer either security or guarantee for the execution of its agreements.

"Complaints were, for a long time, made to the United States of the delays which some American citizens had experienced in receiving the indemnities which were due to them, and of which the reimbursement was made from a part of the funds destined for the acquisition of Louisiana: but the affair of the heirs of Beaumarchais, who have in vain claimed for 28 years a debt made sacred by his motives, proven to the last degree of evidence, and on which the declared interest of the French Government does not admit of a put-off; is it finished?

"Captain Mouessat, the bearer of a letter of marque, and commandant of an armed schooner, followed an English convoy, and was on the point of taking several merchant vessels, when two American armed brigs, and armed to protect the infamous commerce with St. Domingo, attacked him under the English flag, and not only added treachery to superiority of force, to get possession of the vessel of Mouessat, but, after having pilaged it, massacred a part of the crew an hour after they had struck; and this crime, which remains unpunished, is so much the less forgotten as Captain Mouessat never let go [*quitte*] his flag. But it would be too tedious to relate to you all the particular acts in relation solely to French citizens; it will be sufficient for me to say to you, that every where, where there are Frenchmen, (I don't speak of the small number who have abjured their country) these Frenchmen will have a right to the protection of the Government, and will be every where assured [*assuree*] of obtaining indemnity for the damage done to their persons or to their property.

"There are other grievances, yet more serious, and from which France has a right to believe that the United States has a project of giving her inquietude for her distant possessions, and for that of her Allies. This has reference to the free commerce between the Americans and the revolted blacks of St. Domingo, the affair of Miranda, and to the meditated attack on the Spaniards on the Sabine; an enterprise which would not have been given up, but for the necessity under which your Government found itself of causing its troops to fall back to guard New Orleans against an invasion by internal enemies.

"I was far from thinking, sir, that the offence of the commerce with the slaves in the revolted part of St. Domingo—the law of the embargo, confirming the prohibitory law, passed by Congress in 1806. I could not presume that the embargo would be raised, and that the law against this commerce would not be continued. What, sir, the intercourse is prohibited between the United States and all the dependencies of the Empire, under circumstances, when the commercial relations would be the most advantageous to the two States, and you tolerate them only with that one of our possessions where we have the greatest interest to proscribe them! and it is to be remarked, that it is always when France has to combat new coalitions, on the other Continent, that it would seem that efforts are made to form enterprises against its possessions, or those of its Allies; in this one. It is also proper to place among the number of grievances, with which France has to charge the United States, the want of opposition, or rather, the useless opposition, which the Federal Government has made to the impressment of

its sailors, seized in contempt of its flag, and with whom the English arm their vessels against us. I have often, sir, and often in vain, protested against this outrage of Great Britain towards your Government, and which has become a serious injury, [offence] on the part of your Government, towards France. You furnish personal aid [secours personnels] to our enemies. What could you do more if you were at war with us? Without doubt, it will not escape the present Executive, that an amendment is absolutely necessary to render uniform the treatment which our sailors and soldiers meet with in this country, and that which your sailors and soldiers meet with in France.

"I have not suffered my Court to be ignorant of the abuses, without number, and extremely prejudicial to its interests, daily resulting from a want of a police in the United States, in regard to this affair. I am very far, sir, from charging your Government with the means, the most shameful of seduction, which are employed to seduce our sailors and our soldiers to desert; but has it done all that it ought to have done to prevent it? and that extreme facility with which, when they wish it, [au besoin] men drawn off from their country and their sovereign, are naturalized. Does it accord with the incontestible right of Governments to recover, even without demanding them, their subjects whom artifice or force has drawn off from their service? and France, sir, has it not given on this subject, as on many others, an example of the reciprocal respect which Governments owe to each other, and which they observe in Europe even in the midst of the horrors of war? And have I not already warned the Executive Council to put an end to these abuses? Have I not warned them that the indemnity due for the loss of the French ship the Impetuous, burnt by the enemy within a cable's length of your coast, ought to be decreed [statuee] and paid without delay? and the subterfuges, (permit me to use the expression, I know no other to convey my idea) and the subterfuges, I say, which have been employed to delay [ajourner] that indemnity, have made of that act of violence, on the part of our enemies, a direct offence of the United States against France. What more could you do? What more could you leave undone, sir, if you had a Treaty of alliance with our enemies?

"You will find it convenient, sir, that I abridge the enumeration of all the subjects of complaint, which the Federal Government has given to France since my residence in the United States, and that I refer to my correspondence with the Department of State.

"I confine myself here to calling the attention, and the attention the most serious, of the Executive Council, to another grievance of the most serious kind. I know not what could more sensibly offend [offenser] the French Empire.

"I commence, sir, by agreeing, that no Government has a right to interfere with the particular or municipal laws of other countries, because it is supposed, with reason, that every Government will so far respect itself, as to circumscribe the effect of these local institutions, and to stop licentiousness, which the feebleness of laws always gives birth to, and the digressions [les écarts] of which may offend Foreign Powers. Can one suppose that it was easy to avoid the just reproaches of Sovereigns for offences of this kind, where the weakness [la vice] of the institutions, and the want of action or of power in the depositaries of political authority, render useless a trial of the means of repression? You have foreseen, sir, that I am about to address you on the indefinite liberty of saying every thing, of writing every thing, and of printing every thing.

"I am very far from believing that the excesses of your press have occupied, for an instant, the thoughts of the Emperor King, my master; but, as it respects this subject, [à cet égard] I am here as the organ of the whole French Empire; and if I do not see, without pain, the ravages [ravages] which the delirium of the insolence of the greater part of your periodical writers occasions amongst yourselves, you will judge that I do not hear without indignation, all that People permit themselves to say or to write against France, her institutions, and the sacred person of her august representative.

"You will see, sir, that, on this subject, as on all others, the redress of grievances is an indispensable pre-requisite to the formation of a new Treaty between the two Powers.

"It was sufficiently painful to me to address you [entretenir] on the complaints of France against the United States, without laying them open to you in the form of an official note. I have thought that a simple letter, the tone of which would approach nearer to that of our conference, would produce the same effect with you, sir, whose liberal principles and loyal character are known to me. I have thought you would be afflicted, as I am, at the obstacles [intraves] which the preceding Administration has been able to place in the way of a hearty reconciliation [à un rapprochement plus intime] between our Governments, and which their mutual interest renders more necessary than ever.

"I have thought, also, that I could even on a subject so serious, [grave] and without deviating from, or with propriety, [sans blamer les convenances] adopt a mode of communication more analagous to the conformity of our views and our efforts to maintain harmony between France and the United States; and have found here, too, the satisfaction of being able to offer to your sentiments a new tribute of respect.

"Receive, sir, the homage of my high consideration.

"TURREAU."

And whether, if such letter was transmitted to the Department of State, the same has been withdrawn from its archives, and if so, when and how the same was withdrawn.

And the question thereon being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 65,
Nays 96.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.

Bayly, of Va.

Bigelow,

Boyd,

Bradbury,

Breckenridge,

Brigham,

Caperton,

Champion,

Chappell,

Cilley,

Cooper,

Cox,

Culpeper,

Davenport,

Davis, of Mass.

Dewey,

Ely,

Gaston,

Geddes,

Grosvenor,

Hale,

Mr. Hanson,

Hufty,

Hungerford,

Jackson, of R. I.

Kent, of N. Y.

King, of Mass.

Law,

Lewis,

Lovett,

Macon,

Miller,

Moffitt,

Montgomery,

Moseley,

Markell,

Oakley,

Pearson,

Pickering,

Pitkin,

Post,

Potter,

John Reed,

Mr. William Reed,

Ridgely,

Ruggles,

Schureman,

Sheffey,

Sherwood,

Shipherd,

Smith, of N. Y.

Stanford,

Stockton,

Stuart,

Sturges,

Taggart,

Tallmadge,

Thompson,

Vose,

Ward, of Mass.

Webster,

Wheaton,

Wilson, of Mass.

Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,

Alston,

Anderson,

Archer,

Avery,

Bard,

Barnett,

Beall,

Bowen,

Brown,

Burwell,

Butler,

Caldwell,

Calhoun,

Cheves,

Clark,

Clopton,

Comstock,

Conard,

Crawford,

Creighton,

Crouch,

Davis, of Penn.

Dawson,

Denoyelles,

Mr. Desha,

Duvall,

Earle,

Eppes,

Evans,

Farrow,

Findley,

Fisk, of Vt.

Fisk, of N. Y.

Forney,

Forsyth,

Franklin,

Gholson,

Glasgow,

Gourdin,

Griffin,

Grundy,

Hall,

Harris,

Hasbrouck,

Hawes,

Hubbard,

Humphreys,

Ingersoll,

Ingham,

Mr. Irwin,

Jackson, of Va.

Johnson, of Va.

Kennedy,

Kent, of Md.

Kerr,

Kershaw,

Kilbourn,

Lefferts,

Lowndes,

Lyle,

M'Coy,

M'Kee,

M'Kim,

M'Lean,

Moore,

Murfree,

Nelson,

Newton,

Parker,

Pickins,

Piper,

Pleasants,

Rea, of Penn.

Rhea, of Tenn.

Mr. Rich,
Ringgold,
Roan,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Seybert,

Mr. Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,

Mr. Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright,
Yancey.

The question was then taken upon the said resolution, as originally proposed,
And passed in the affirmative.

Mr. Roberts and Mr. Moseley were appointed a committee to present the said resolution to the President of the United States.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the Committee did, yesterday, present to the President of the United States the Enrolled Bills and resolution, the examination of which was reported on Monday last.

A motion was made, by Mr. Jackson, of Virginia;

That the House do reconsider their vote on the passage of the resolution as proposed by Mr. Roberts :

On which

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1814.

On motion of Mr. Post,

Ordered, That the petition of John R. Swingston and others, presented on the 4th of February, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Ingersoll,

Ordered, That the petition of Daniel Pettibone, relating to implements of war, presented on the 25th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Nelson,

Ordered, That the petition of Jasper Anderson, presented on the 7th of June, 1813, be referred to Mr. Nelson, Mr. Beall, Mr. Bower, Mr. Bigelow, and Mr. Law.

On motion of Mr. Calhoun,

Ordered, That the petition of John Motlow, presented on the 18th of February, 1807, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee, presented a petition of the Messengers attached to the several Departments of State, Treasury, War, and Navy, praying an increase of their respective compensations.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. M'Kee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, made a report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Clark and Jefferson counties, in the Indiana Territory; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioners is unreasonable, and ought not to be granted.

Mr. M'Kee, from the same committee, made a report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of the frontiers of the State of Ohio; in and about Sandusky; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was read and concurred in, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

Mr. M'Kee, from the same committee, made a report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Driftwood settlement, Harrison county, Indiana Territory, which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The House resumed the consideration of the unfinished business, to wit : the motion of Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, to re-consider the vote agreeing to the resolution submitted by Mr. Roberts : Whereupon,

Mr. Jackson withdrew his said motion.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill making further provision for filling the ranks of the regular army, encouraging enlistments, and authorizing the re enlistment, for longer periods, of men whose terms of service are about to expire ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Desha reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made several amendments thereto.

The House proceeded to consider the said amendments,

And on the question to concur in the amendments to the first section of the bill, to wit : to fill the blank with the words "*first day of February*;" to insert the words

"*twenty-four*," after the words "one hundred ;" to strike out the words "*twenty-five*," where they occur in the 10th and 11th lines, and to insert the word "*fifty*" in each place, and to strike out the word "*fifty*," in the 12th line, and to insert "*twenty-four*" in the place thereof,

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas, 95,
Nays, 65.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Cheves,
Clark,
Clopton,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Pa.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.

Mr. Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Hufty,
Humphreys,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,

Mr. Montgomery,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roan,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Seyier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Smith, of Va.
Tannehill,
Telfair,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Bradley,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Butler,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Comstock,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Geddes,
Grosvenor,

Mr. Hale,
Hanson,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffit,
Moseley,
Markell,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Schureman,

Mr. Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Taylor,
Thompson,
Troup,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Wilson, of Pa.
Winter.

The amendment to the second section was concurred in ; and
The question was taken to concur in striking out the third section,

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas, 106,
 { Nays, 53.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Barnett,
Baylies, of Mass.
Beall,
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Brown,
Burwell,
Capertown,
Calhoun,
Champion,
Cheves,
Cilley,
Clark,
Clopton,
Cooper,
Cox,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Duvall,
Earle,
Ely,
Evans,
Farrow,
Forsyth,

Mr. Franklin,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Gourdin,
Grosvenor,
Grundy,
Hale,
Hanson,
Hufty,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingham,
Jackson, of R. I.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kershaw,
King, of N. C.
Law,
Lefferts,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Macon,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moffit,
Moore,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Ormsby,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pickins,
Piper,

Mr. Pitkin,
Frost,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Rea, of Pa.
Richardson,
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Roberts,
Sage,
Schureman,
Seybert,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Tallmadge,
Telfair,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Avery,
Bard,
Bradley,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Chappell,
Comstock,
Conard,
Davis, of Pa.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Eppes,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Gholson,

Mr. Glasgow,
Griffin,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Ingersoll,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
Lyle,
M'Coy,
Montgomery,
Nelson,

Mr. Newton,
Parker,
Pleasants,
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Roan,
Sevier,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright.

Ordered, That the bill be engrossed. and read the third time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Calhoun,

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to lay before this House such documents, relative to the Russian mediation, as in his opinion it may not be improper to communicate.

Mr. Calhoun and Mr. Webster were appointed a committee to present the said resolution to the President of the United States.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. Beall :

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of providing, by law, for adjusting and satisfying claims of citizens of the State of Ohio, arising from articles impressed, and supplies furnished detachments of militia ordered into public service by the authority of the said State, from the commencement of the present war.

The said resolution was read, and, on the question that the House do now proceed to consider the same,

It was determined in the negative.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 1814.

Mr. John Reed presented a petition of William Henry Savage, late agent for the commerce and seamen of the United States at the Island of Jamaica, praying an allowance for office rent and other incidental expenses incurred whilst acting in the capacity aforesaid.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Kent, of Maryland,

Ordered, That the petition of William Dent Beall, presented on the 4th of December, 1812, be referred to the same committee.

Mr. Hanson presented a petition of Adam King, on behalf of the militia lately drafted into actual service from the District of Columbia, praying compensation for the use of their clothing during a tour of three months' duty.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the committee on that part of the President's message which relates to a revision of the militia system.

On motion of Mr. Cheves,

Ordered, That the petition of Joseph W. Page, presented on the 6th of April, 1812, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Calhoun presented a petition of Sarah Shilletto, praying compensation for a house which was consumed by fire whilst occupied as a barrack by a detachment of United States' troops.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Roberts, from the committee appointed on the 12th instant, to present a resolution to the President of the United States, reported that the committee had performed that duty, and that the President answered that he would attend to the subject of the resolution.

Mr. Taylor, from the committee on that part of the President's message which relates to a revision of the militia system, made a report on the resolution instructing them to inquire into the expediency of altering the tour of militia duty to three months; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to limit the service of the militia called out under the authority of the United States, to a term not exceeding three months.

On motion of Mr. M'Kim,

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be required to lay before this House a digest of American manufactures, heretofore ordered to be made out under his direction, if the same be prepared, and to report the progress made in this work, if not ready for delivery.

On motion of Mr. Beall,

The House proceeded to consider the resolution submitted by him yesterday, and the same being again read, was agreed to by the House, amended to read as follows :

Resolved, That the Committee of Claims be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing, by law, for the adjusting and satisfying claims of citizens of the United States, arising from articles impressed, and supplies furnished detachments of militia ordered into public service by the authority of any State or Territorial Government, from the commencement of the present war.

Mr. Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingersoll,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,

Mr. Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

Mr. Hale,
Hanson,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Lewis,
Lovett,
Miller,
Moffitt,

Mr. Moseley,
Markell,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
William Reed,
Ridgely,

Mr. Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,

Mr. Sturges,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Cheves,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn'a.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,

Mr. Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Nelson,

Mr. Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Richardson,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wood,
Wright,
Yancey.

And so the said proposed amendment was rejected.

The question then recurred on the passage of the bill, and debate arising thereon,

The previous question was called for by Mr. Wright, and being *demanded* by a majority of the members present : Whereupon,

The said previous question was taken in the form prescribed by the rules and orders of the House, to wit : Shall the main question be now put ?

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 76,
 { Nays 68.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,

Mr. Bowen,
Brown,
Caldwell,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,

Mr. Crawford,
Creighton,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,

Mr. Fisk, of N. Y.
 Forney,
 Forsyth,
 Franklin,
 Gholson,
 Glasgow,
 Gourdin,
 Griffin,
 Grundy,
 Hall,
 Harris,
 Hasbrouck,
 Hawes,
 Hubbard,
 Humphreys,
 Ingersoll,
 Ingham,
 Jackson, of Va.
 Johnson, of Va.

Mr. Kerr,
 Kershaw,
 Kilbourn,
 Lefferts,
 Lyle,
 M'Coy,
 M'Kim,
 M'Lean,
 Montgomery,
 Moore,
 Nelson,
 Newton,
 Parker,
 Piper,
 Pleasants,
 Rea, of Pa.
 Rhea, of Tenn.
 Rich,
 Ringgold,

Mr. Roane,
 Roberts,
 Sage,
 Sevier,
 Seybert,
 Sharp,
 Smith, of Pa.
 Smith, of Va.
 Tannehill,
 Taylor,
 Telfair,
 Troup,
 Ward, of N. J.
 Whitehill,
 Wilson, of Pa.
 Wright,
 Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
 Bayly, of Va.
 Bigelow,
 Boyd,
 Bradbury,
 Bradley,
 Brigham,
 Burwell,
 Caperton,
 Calhoun,
 Champion,
 Cheves,
 Cilley,
 Clark,
 Cooper,
 Cox,
 Culpeper,
 Davenport,
 Davis, of Mass.
 Dawson,
 Dewey,
 Ely,
 Gaston,

Mr. Geddes,
 Grosvenor,
 Hale,
 Hufty,
 Hungerford,
 Jackson, of R. I.
 Kent, of N. Y.
 Kent, of Md.
 King, of Mass.
 Law,
 Lewis,
 Lovett,
 Lowndes,
 Macon,
 M'Kee,
 Miller,
 Moffitt,
 Moseley,
 Murfree,
 Markell,
 Oakley,
 Pearson,
 Pickering,

Mr. Pitkin,
 Post,
 Potter,
 John Reed,
 William Reed,
 Ridgely,
 Robertson,
 Schureman,
 Sheffey,
 Sherwood,
 Shipherd,
 Smith, of N. Y.
 Stanford,
 Stockton,
 Thompson,
 Vose,
 Ward, of Mass.
 Webster,
 Wheaton,
 Wilcox,
 Wilson, of Mass.
 Winter.

The main question was then taken, to wit: "Shall the bill pass?"

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas, 97,
 { Nays, 58.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
 Alston,
 Anderson,
 Archer,
 Avery,
 Bard,
 Barnett,
 Beall,
 Bowen,
 Bradley,
 Brown,
 Burwell,
 Caldwell,
 Calhoun,

Mr. Chappell,
 Cheves,
 Clark,
 Clopton,
 Comstock,
 Conard,
 Crawford,
 Creighton,
 Crouch,
 Dawson,
 Desha,
 Duvall,
 Earle,
 Eppes,

Mr. Evans,
 Findley,
 Fisk, of Vt.
 Fisk, of N. Y.
 Forney,
 Forsyth,
 Franklin,
 Gholson,
 Glasgow,
 Gourdin,
 Griffin,
 Grundy,
 Hall,
 Harris,

Mr. Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,

Mr. M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Roberts,
Robertson,

Mr. Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Smith, of Va.
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,

Mr. Hufty,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Ridgely,

Mr. Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act making further provision for filling the ranks of the regular army, encouraging enlistments, and authorizing the re-enlistment, for longer periods, of men whose terms of service are about to expire;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15, 1814.

Mr. Fisk, of New York, presented a petition of Joshua Sands, late Collector of the Customs for the port of New York, praying, for reasons stated in the petition, that the certificates of debentures issued by him on exportations of foreign merchandise to the port of New Orleans, at that time under the dominion of the King of Spain, may be allowed and paid out of the public Treasury.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Ridgely,

Ordered, That the petition of John Toomy, presented on the 20th of July, 1813, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Hempstead,

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of continuing in force, during the war, the several acts of Congress authorizing the President of the United States to raise certain companies of rangers, for the protection of the frontier of the United States;

And, also, to make provision, by law, for giving a bounty in money and lands to those who shall engage for, and continue in, said service, until duly discharged therefrom, and a like bounty in money and land to the heirs and representatives of those who have been or may be killed in action, or die in the service of the United States ;

And, also, to provide, by law, for making compensation to said rangers, for any damages sustained while in actual service, by loss of horses or equipments, without any fault or negligence on their part ;

And, also, to provide, by law, for organizing the said companies of rangers into battalions, squadrons, or regiments, and for the appointment of field and staff officers for the same.

On motion of Mr. Eppes,

Resolved, That the Secretary of War be instructed to lay before this House a report on the claims of the several States and Territories, for moneys advanced in calling into the service of the United States, detachments of militia, distinguishing such items of the claims, as, under the existing laws, can be settled ; and distinguishing, also, such items as cannot be adjusted and settled without legislative provision.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. Creighton :

Resolved, That the committee on that part of the President's message which relates to a revision of the militia system, be instructed to inquire into the justice and expediency of providing, by law, for the payment of militia ordered into public service by the authority of the States and Territories, from the commencement of the war, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. M'Lean,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Militia Laws be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making provision, by law, for the relief of the families of non-commissioned officers and privates, in the militia, or volunteer corps of the United States, who have been slain by the enemy, or have died in the service since the commencement of the present war ; and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Ingersoll gave notice that he would, on Monday next, move for leave to introduce a bill to provide for a new organization of the Courts of the United States.

Ordered, That the report of the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims on the petition of Ann Brown, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The bill from the Senate, "for the relief of Isaac Clason," was read the first time ; and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "for the appointment of an additional Judge for the Missouri Territory, and for other purposes," with amendments, in which they desire the concurrence of this House. They have also passed the bill "to amend the seventh section of an act, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States."

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize the President to raise, for five years, or for the war, fourteen of the regiments authorized by the act of the 29th of January, 1813 ; as also, on the bill from the Senate, "authorizing the President of the United States to cause certain regiments therein mentioned, to be enlisted for five years, or during the war ;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. King, of North Carolina, reported that the committee had had the said bill from the Senate under consideration, and made some progress therein, and directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bills.

And then the House then adjourned until Monday morning eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 1814.

Mr. Fisk, of New York, presented sundry documents in support of the petition of Joshua Sands; which were referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Post,

Ordered, That the petition of William Osborne, presented on the 31st of May, 1813, be referred to the same committee.

Mr. Geddes presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the county of Onandago,

in the State of New York, praying that a post route may be established from the town of Onandago, through Sully and Preble, to the Court House in Courtland county.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Seybert,

Ordered, That the petition of Archibald M'Call, presented on the 13th of December, 1810, be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

The Speaker laid before the House a copy of the petition presented on the 12th instant, from the Legislature of the Indiana Territory, relative to the establishment of a post route from Salisbury to Eaton ; which was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Kilbourn presented petitions from sundry inhabitants of the States and Territories West of the Allegheny Mountains, to the same effect with the petitions from other inhabitants of the said States and Territories, presented on the 6th instant.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the Committee had examined an enrolled bill "to amend the seventh section of the act, entitled 'An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States,'" and had found the same to be truly enrolled : On which,

The Speaker signed the said bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of Martin Cole, of the Mississippi Territory, praying permission to change the location of a tract of land purchased by him of the United States, having, through mistake, located a tract entirely different from that intended to be located.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

The Speaker laid before the House a certificate of the election of William Irving, to serve as a member of this House, from the State of New York, in the place of Egbert Benson, resigned ; which was referred to the Committee of Elections.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a statement of the amount of duties and drawbacks on goods imported into, and exported from, the United States, from the years 1810, 1811, and 1812 ; which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The Speaker also laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting the Annual Report of the Commissioners of the Navy Pension Fund ; which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The Speaker also laid before the House a letter from the acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting three hundred printed copies of that part of the digest of the arts and manufactures of the United States, as collected by the Marshals of the several States, and Secretaries of the several Territories, in the Fall of the year 1810, which comprises tables exhibiting the several manufactures by States and Territories ; also, two manuscript essays, or collections of facts and observations prepared, by Tench Coxe, of Philadelphia, relating to the state of manufactures of this country, and the motives which exist for affording encouragement and extension to them.

Ordered, That the said letter from the acting Secretary of the Treasury, together with the report and manuscript essays therein mentioned, be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of altering the post route from Knoxville to Nashville, in Tennessee, so as for the mail to be carried by Sparta instead of the White Plains ; leaving the old route where Simpson's turnpike road leaves it, thence, along said turnpike road, to Sparta, and from thence, along the Carthage road, so as to intersect the old route on Walton's ferry road, at or near Samuel Walker's.

Resolved, That the same committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Sparta to M'Minville, in the same State.

On motion of Mr. Kilbourn,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing the following post routes within the State of Ohio, to wit : from the town of Delaware, in Delaware county, by Norton and Upper Sandusky, to Lower Sandusky ; from Columbus, in the county of Franklin, to Springfield, in the county of Champaign, and from thence to Urbana, in the last said county ; and, from Urbana, aforesaid, to Troy, in the county of Miami.

On motion of Mr. Shelley,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of discontinuing the post route from Tazewell Court house to Lee Court house, in Virginia, and establishing a new one from Abingdon to Russel Court house, in the same State.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. W. Reed :

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire whether any, and, if any, what, means of retrenchment and economy of reform in the general management, and of extension and efficiency in the Naval Establishment, may be practicable and expedient; and that they have power to send for persons and papers.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill authorizing the President to raise, for five years, or for the war, fourteen of the regiments authorized by the act of the 29th of January, 1813; as also, on the bill from the Senate "authorizing the President of the United States to cause certain regiments therein mentioned, to be enlisted for five years, or during the war;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. King, of North Carolina, reported that the committee had again had the last mentioned bill under consideration, and made farther progress therein, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1814.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, yesterday, present to the President of the United States, for his approbation, an enrolled bill "to amend the 7th section of the act, entitled 'An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States.'"

On motion of Mr. Wood,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of Wiscasset, presented on the 28th of June, 1813; the petition of Joshua Hilton, presented on the 22d of June, 1813; and the petition of sundry inhabitants of the District of Waldoborough, presented on the 28th of June, 1813, be severally referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. W. Reed,

Ordered, That the petition of Arnold and Sarah Martin, presented on the 1st of June, 1812; the petition of Captain Samuel Tucker, presented on the 24th of March, 1812; and the petition of Isaac Mansfield, presented on the 8th of February, 1813, be severally referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Ringgold,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry millers and owners of mills, in the counties of Washington and Frederick, in the State of Maryland, presented on the 22d of January, 1813, be referred to the Committee of the Whole House to whom is committed the report of a select committee on a petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, Maryland, complaining of the oppressive exercise, on the part of Oliver Evans, of his patent right to certain mill machinery.

On motion of Mr. M'Kim,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of Baltimore, presented on the 9th of January, 1813, be referred to the same Committee of the Whole House.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the petition of Abraham Jarrett, presented on the 3d of February, 1813, and the petition of sundry inhabitants of Lancaster and Chester counties, in Pennsylvania, and of Cecil county, in Maryland, presented on the 17th of June, 1813, be referred to the same Committee of the Whole House.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

Ordered, That the petition of John Brumback and others, presented on the 19th of December, 1810; the petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Virginia, presented on the 23d of January, 1813; the petition of sundry inhabitants of Montgomery and Anne Arundel counties, in the State of Maryland, presented on the 30th of January, 1813; and the petition of sundry inhabitants of Jefferson county, in the State of Virginia, presented on the 9th of February, 1813, be severally referred to the same Committee of the Whole House.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the petition of Oliver Pollock, presented on the 4th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Clark presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Floyd county, in the State of Kentucky, praying that a post route may be established from some post town in said State, to the Court house in said county.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill "authorizing the President of the United States to grant certain permissions to the inhabitants of the Island of Nantucket," in which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Kent, from the Committee for the District of Columbia, by leave of the House, reported a bill to incorporate an Insurance Company in Georgetown, in the District of Columbia; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Kent, from the same committee, by leave of the House, reported a bill to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The following resolution was submitted to the House by Mr. Roberts:

Resolved, That the Standing Rules of this House be amended, by adding thereto the following provisions, to wit:

Stenographers admitted to take down the debates and proceedings of the House, shall take an oath or affirmation, to be administered by the Speaker, to wit: "I, (A. B.) do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully, truly, and impartially, report the debates and proceedings of the House of Representatives, whenever I do report the same, to the best of my ability and judgment." And every stenographer who shall be admitted as aforesaid, after taking said oath or affirmation, shall, on such admission, state to the Speaker, in writing, whether he intends to publish his report in pamphlet or volume form, or in a newspaper or newspapers, and if in the latter, he shall give in a list of such papers as he may intend to furnish with a report; and he shall, from time to time, give information as aforesaid, if such list should be increased or diminished, as either fact may occur, and such statement or list shall be filed by the Clerk. And every stenographer admitted as aforesaid, shall affix his signature to his report, from time to time, as he may furnish it for publication, which signature he shall cause to be published in every case.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The following resolution was submitted to the House by Mr. King, of Massachusetts:

Resolved, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be, and they are hereby, instructed to inquire into the right of so amending "An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States," passed on the 17th day of December, A. D. 1813, as to permit such coasting vessels of the United States as were absent from the districts where they were owned and employed, when their masters were notified of said act, to return to such districts with their freight and return cargoes on board, on such conditions as may be constitutional.

The said resolution was read,

And the question was taken that the House do now proceed to consider the same,

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas ... 92,
Nays ... 62.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Archer,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Bowen,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Champion,
Chappell,
Cheves,
Cilley,
Clopton,

Mr. Comstock,
Cox,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Davis, of Penn.
Dewey,
Ely,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forseth,

Mr. Franklin,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hanson,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Maryland.
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Law,

Mr. Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Taylor,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Wheaton,
White,
Whitehill,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood.

Mr. M'Kim,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Nelson,
Newton,
Parker,
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roan,
Roberts,
Sage,
Sharp,
Smith, of Va.
Tannehill,
Troup,
Udree,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright,
Yancey.

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 82,
Nays 69.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cheves,
Cilly,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass'tts.
Dewey,
Ely,
Eppes,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,

Mr. Hale,
Hanson,
Hufty,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Richardson,
Ridgely,

Mr. Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Pa.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vermont,

Mr. Fisk, of New York,
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moore,
Nelson,

Mr. Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roan,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn'a.
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

The amendments of the Senate to the bill "for the appointment of an additional Judge in the Missouri Territory, and for other purposes," were read, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, on the 17th instant, approve and sign "An

act to amend the 7th section of the act, entitled 'An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States.' "

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Coles also delivered in at the Speaker's table, a message, in writing, which was read, and is as follows :

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States :

I lay before Congress a report of the acting Secretary of the Treasury, containing a statement of proceedings under the act to regulate the laying out and making a road from Cumberland, in the State of Maryland, to the State of Ohio.

JAMES MADISON.

JANUARY 18, 1814.

The said message and report were referred to Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, Mr. Lyle, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Baylies, and Mr. Shipherd.

Mr. Coles also delivered another message, in writing, which was read, and is as follows :

To the House of Representatives of the United States :

I transmit to the House of Representatives a report of the Secretary of State, complying with their resolution of the 13th instant.

JAMES MADISON.

JANUARY 18, 1814.

The said message and report were ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Coles also delivered in another message, in writing, which was read, and is as follows :

To the House of Representatives of the United States :

I transmit to the House of Representatives a report of the Secretary of State, complying with their resolution of the 11th instant.

JAMES MADISON.

JANUARY 18, 1814.

The said message and report were ordered to lie on the table.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1814.

Mr. W. Reed presented a petition of David Pearce, of the State of Massachusetts, praying compensation for property destroyed in the public service in the Revolutionary War.

Mr. Pitkin presented a petition of Daniel Barnes, of Connecticut, praying for a pension in consideration of services rendered as a Captain in the Revolutionary Army.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Taylor presented certain proceedings and resolutions of a meeting of Delegates from the several towns in the county of Saratoga, in the State of New York, recommending the adoption of energetic and decisive measures for the vigorous prosecution of the war against Great Britain ; which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Condict presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the district of Great Egg Harbor, praying that the boundaries of said district may be more clearly defined.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Roberts presented a petition of John Bioren, William J. Duane, and R. C. Weightman, praying the aid and patronage of Congress in printing a new and complete edition of the laws of the United States.

The said petition was read, and referred to Mr. Roberts, Mr. Grundy, Mr. Pitkin, Mr. Oakley, and Mr. Pleasants.

Mr. Ingersoll presented a petition of Stephen Girard, of Philadelphia, merchant and banker, setting forth that the provisions of the act laying duties on the notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies, which allows a composition, have been denied to him in his banking establishment, and praying that the provisions of the said act may be extended to him.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Moore presented a petition of Zachariah Roberts, of Baltimore, praying compensation for services rendered during the last Summer as an officer in a detachment of militia in the service of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

Ordered, That the petition of the Levy Court of the county of Alexandria, presented on the 29th of December, 1809, be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

Mr. Desha presented a memorial of the Governor and Legislature of the State of Kentucky, relative to the compensation and pay of the militia of that State, engaged in the service of the United States.

Ordered, That the said memorial be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Alexander presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the States and Territories West of the Allegheny mountains, to the same effect with the petitions from other inhabitants from the said States and Territories, presented on the 6th instant ; which were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Alexander also presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Ohio, praying that a post route may be established from Columbus, by Washington and Hillsborough, in Ohio, to Augusta, in Kentucky.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of Benjamin Farar and others ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Thomas B. Benedict ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Daniel Newnan ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of John Whiting ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and papers.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of James Anderson ; which was read, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Archer, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of William Piatt ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. M'Kee,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Public Lands be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Philip Michaels, and that he have leave to withdraw his petition.

The Speaker addressed the House in the following terms :

“GENTLEMEN : I have attended you to-day to announce my resignation of the distinguished station of this House, with which I have been honored by your kindness. In taking leave of you, gentlemen, I shall be excused for embracing this last occasion to express to you personally, my thanks for the frank and liberal support the Chair has experienced at your hands. Wherever I may go, in whatever situation I may be placed, I can never cease to cherish, with the fondest remembrance, the sentiments of esteem and respect with which you have inspired me.”

On motion of Mr. Findley,

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be presented to HENRY CLAY, in testimony of their approbation of his conduct in the arduous and important duties assigned to him as Speaker of this House.

A motion was made by Mr. Roberts that the House do now adjourn.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The House then proceeded, by ballot, to the choice of a Speaker, in the place of Henry Clay, resigned ; and, upon an examination of the ballots, it appeared that LANGDON CHEVES, one of the Representatives from the State of South Carolina, was duly elected : Upon which,

Mr. Cheves was conducted to the Speaker's chair, from whence he made his acknowledgments to the House in the following words :

“GENTLEMEN : I thank you for the flattering and distinguished honor you have conferred upon me. The best acknowledgment I can make of the gratitude which I profoundly feel, will be expressed in the exertion of every faculty I possess, to prove that your

favor is not entirely unmerited. I am aware of the importance of the station to which you have elevated me, and of the difficult nature of the duties which it imposes; a difficulty to discharge them with reputation not a little increased by the great ability with which they have been executed by the gentleman who has just descended from the chair; but with your support I shall not despair. Err, I undoubtedly often shall; and when my errors shall be calculated to affect, in the smallest degree, the interests of the House or the nation, I shall court your correction, and submit with cheerfulness and pleasure to your authority; but if they be immaterial, as frequent differences of opinion between the House and its presiding officer can add nothing to its dignity, and may diminish his usefulness, I shall ask, what I fear I shall too often need, your kind indulgence."

The oath to support the Constitution of the United States was then administered to him by Mr. Findley, one of the Representatives from the State of Pennsylvania.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 1814.

Mr. Hubbard presented a petition of Joanna Nash, widow of William Nash, deceased, late a Lieutenant in the Army, and who was killed in the line of his duty, praying for a pension.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Wood,

Ordered, That the petition of Zebulon Wade, presented on the 7th of June, 1809, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Seybert presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Philadelphia, praying that an act may be passed to incorporate a National Bank, with a capital of thirty millions of dollars.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the report of the Committee of Ways and Means, on the petition of sundry inhabitants of the city of New York.

Mr. Kent, of Maryland, presented a petition of the President and Directors of the Bank of the Metropolis, praying that the said bank may be incorporated by act of Congress.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

Mr. Rhea presented petitions from sundry inhabitants of East Tennessee, praying that a post route may be established from Newport, by Greenville, Hawkins Court house, and Lee Court house, to Cumberland Gap.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. M'Lean presented a petition of the officers and privates of a volunteer troop of cavalry, belonging to the town of Cincinnati, in the State of Ohio, commanded by Captain J. Sloan, and attached to the Army lately commanded by General Hull, praying compensation for their horses and accoutrements which they lost by the surrender of that Army to the enemy.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of Maria S. Tyson; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Kent, of Maryland, from the Committee for the District of Columbia, by leave of the House, reported a bill to incorporate a Marine and Fire Insurance Company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to examine the state of the Clerk's Office, to ascertain whether the Executive reports, reports of committees, and the proceedings of this House, are duly and regularly recorded, and to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Clerk of this House to employ an additional Assistant Clerk in his Office.

Mr. Archer, Mr. Gholson, and Mr. Kent, of New York, were appointed the said committee.

On motion of Mr. Fisk, of New York,

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House inform the Senate, that, Henry Clay having yesterday resigned his seat as Speaker, the House of Representatives have made choice of Langdon Cheves, one of the Representatives from the State of South Carolina, as their Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of substituting, in lieu of the duties on licenses to distillers, as now existing by law, a duty on the quantity of spirits distilled, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to revise so much of the Rules and Articles for the government of the Armies of the United States, as relates to the punishment of offences therein mentioned; and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

A message, in writing, was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, as follows:

To the House of Representatives of the United States:

I transmit to the House of Representatives a report of the Secretary of State, complying with their resolution of the 12th instant.

JAMES MADISON.

January 19, 1814.

The said message and report were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill authorizing the President to raise, for five years, or for the war, fourteen of the regiments authorized by the act of the 29th of January, 1813; as also, on the bill from the Senate, "authorizing the President of the United States to cause certain regiments therein mentioned to be enlisted for five years, or during the war;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. King, of North Carolina, reported that the committee had again had the said bill from the Senate under consideration, and made farther progress therein, and directed him to ask leave to sit again.

The question was then taken that the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill,

And was determined in the negative.

The said bill was then amended at the Clerk's table, and the amendments were ordered to be engrossed, and the bill read the third time to-morrow.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting estimates of appropriations necessary for the service of the year 1814, accompanied with a statement of the receipts and expenditures during the year 1813; which were referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 1814.

Mr. John Reed presented a petition of John Fitch, late master of the ship Mars, on behalf of himself and the crew of the said ship, praying for the return of the hospital money which he was compelled by the Collector of the port of Norfolk to pay, on the arrival of that ship on a whaling voyage.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Eppes presented a petition of Tarlton Woodson, praying to be allowed the commutation of half pay, to which he is entitled, as an officer in the Revolutionary Army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Humphreys presented a petition of Alexander Sevier, a Lieutenant in the Marine corps, setting forth, that, whilst performing a journey on public business, he was robbed of a considerable sum of money, together with his wearing apparel, which he has been unable to recover, and praying remuneration out of the public funds.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Creighton,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the propriety of establishing a post road from the town of Portsmouth, in

the county of Scioto, in the State of Ohio, to Vanceburg, in Lewis county, Kentucky, and the establishment of a post office in the town of Vanceburg.

Mr. Robertson submitted to the House, for consideration, the following resolution :

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of providing, by law, for the exercise of the right of expatriation, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee.

Resolved, That the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures may be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing an hospital at some convenient place in the Choctaw nation, and at or near the road from Natchez to Nashville, for the accommodation of persons, who, having descended the Mississippi river in boats, or vessels of any description, to New Orleans or Natchez, may have contracted sickness, and thereby rendered unable to return to their respective places of residence, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Seybert,

Ordered, That Mr. Lowndes be appointed on the Joint Committee of the two Houses to have the application of the moneys appropriated for the library of Congress, in the place of Mr. Cheves, elected Speaker.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of Hugh Ferguson ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained, concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

The bill from the Senate, "authorizing the President of the United States to grant certain permissions to the inhabitants of the Island of Nantucket," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "making further provision for filling the ranks of the regular army, encouraging enlistments, and authorizing the re-enlistments, for longer periods, of men whose terms of service are about to expire," with amendments, in which they desire the concurrence of the House.

The said amendments were read ; and, on the question to concur in the first amendment,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas, 54,
Nays, 94.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Bard,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Hale,
Hufty,
Jackson, of R. I.

Mr. Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakléy,
Pearson,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Richardson,

Mr. Ridgely,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Barnett,

Mr. Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,

Mr. Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,

Mr. Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Pa.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hawes,
Hubbard,

Mr. Humphreys,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,

Mr. Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wood.
Wright,
Yancey.

The question was then taken to concur in the second and last amendment,
And was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from John Bioren, W. J. Duane, and R. C. Weightman, offering to the acceptance of the House a set of Smith's edition of the laws of Pennsylvania, and as a sample after which they intend to print an edition of the laws of the United States; which was read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petition from the said Bioren, Duane, and Weightman.

The bill from the Senate "authorizing the President of the United States to cause certain regiments therein mentioned to be enlisted for five years, or during the war," was read a third time as amended, and the question was stated that the same do pass,
And debate arising,

The previous question was called for by Mr. Roberts, and being demanded by a majority of the members present,

It was taken in the form prescribed by the rules and orders of the House, to wit:
"Shall the main question be now put?"

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 79,
 { Nays 34.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Brown,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,

Mr. Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vermont,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,

Mr. Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,

Mr. Moore,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.

Mr. Rich,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Roberts,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Tannehill,
Taylor,

Mr. Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brigham,
Champion,
Cilley,
Culpeper,
Ely,
Geddes,
Hale,
Hawes,

Mr. Hufty,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Macon,
M'Kee,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Pearson,

Mr. John Reed,
William Reed,
Ridgely,
Sturges,
Ward, of Mass.
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

The said main question was then taken, to wit : " Shall the bill pass ? "

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 90,
 { Nays 15.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,
Condict,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn'a.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vermont,

Mr. Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
Montgomery,

Mr. Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Roberts,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Brigham,
Champion,
Ely,

Mr. Hale,
Hufty,
Moseley,
Pearson,
John Reed,

Mr. Taggart,
Ward, of Mass.
White,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 1814.

Another member, to wit: from New York, William Irving, elected to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Egbert Benson, appeared and took his seat, the oath to support the Constitution of the United States being first administered to him by the Speaker.

Mr. Post presented a document relating to the petition of Joshua Sands; which was read, and referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Fisk, of New York, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the States of New York and New Jersey, praying that a post route may be established from Orange Court House, in New York, to Sussex Court House, in New Jersey.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Fisk also presented a petition of Andrew Sitcher, of the city of New York, lately commanding a regiment of volunteers, in the service of the United States, stating that he had raised a regiment, for twelve months' service, in defence of the port of New York; that, owing to a misunderstanding or misconstruction of the terms of enlistment, dissatisfaction had been manifested by the men, and the regiment had been dismissed before the term of enlistment had expired; and praying for pay, and to be allowed for rations, &c. for the residue of the period for which the regiment was enlisted.

The said petition was read, and referred to Mr. Fisk, of New York, Mr. Ward, of Massachusetts, Mr. Ormsby, Mr. Forsyth, and Mr. Bradbury.

Mr. Anderson presented a petition of George Serrill, executor of James Pearson, deceased, praying compensation for military services rendered by the deceased, as an officer in the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Kerr,

Ordered, That the petition of Leonard Clark, presented on the fifteenth of December, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, be referred to the same committee.

Mr. Culpeper presented documents in illustration of the claim of John Fraser to a pension; which was referred to the committee last mentioned.

Mr. Ormsby presented a petition of Nathan Heald, a Major in the Army of the United States, stating that, for want of his receipts and vouchers, which were destroyed by the Indians, at the time of the capture and murder of the garrison of Chicago, his accounts have been rejected at the War Department, and praying Congress to direct the settlement of said accounts.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Secretary of War.

Mr. Harris presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Tennessee, praying that the post route from Knoxville to Nashville may be altered, so as to pass through Sparta, and over Simpson's Turnpike Road.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of George Fisher, of the Mississippi Territory, praying for a pre-emption right, at a reduced price, of certain public lands, on which he proposes to erect iron and salt works.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Jennings presented a document in support of the petition of a company of mounted rangers lately discharged from service; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Hempstead,

Ordered, That the petition of Gregoire Sarpy, presented on the 19th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

**Eppes,
Evans.**

Mr. Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Hale,
Hufty,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,

Mr. Lovett,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Richardson,
Ridgely
Ruggles,

Mr. Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Tallmadge,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Bayly, of Va.
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,

Mr. Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Irwin, of Pa.
Jackson, of Vir.
Johnson, of Vir.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
McCoy,

Mr. McLean,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roan,
Roberts,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Smith, of Penn.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

A motion was then made by Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, that the bill be recommended to the Committee on Foreign Relations ;

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the said bill be read the third time to-day.

The said bill was accordingly read the third time,

And on the question that the same do pass ?

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas, 105,
 { Nays, 8.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,

Mr. Bard,
Bigelow,
Bowen,
Bradbury,
Bradley,

Mr. Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,

Mr. Caperton,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Champion,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Cooper,
Cox,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Dewey,
Eppes,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin,
Gaston,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Gourdin,
Grundy,
Hale,

Mr. Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hufty,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Irwin, of Pa.
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. York,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lyle,
McCoy,
Miller,
Moore,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Newton,
Oakley,
Parker,
Pearson,

Mr. Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Roberts,
Ruggles,
Sevier,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Stanford,
Strong,
Sturges,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
White,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Mass.
Wilson, of Penn.
Winter,
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Cilley,
Dawson,
Law,

Mr. Lewis,
Ormsby,
Post,

Mr. Potter,
Webster.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.
And then the House adjourned until Monday morning eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 1814.

Two other members, to wit: from New York, Samuel M. Hopkins, and Nathaniel W. Howell, appeared and took their seats.

Isaac Williams, junior, also appeared and took his seat, as one of the representatives from the State of New-York, in the place of J. M. Bowers, who has been declared not entitled to a seat; the oath to support the Constitution of the United States being first administered to him by the Speaker.

Mr. Sherwood presented a petition of John Sims, of the State of New York, praying to be relieved from the payment of a bond given to the United States, in the year one thousand eight hundred and twelve, upon the importation of certain British manufactures, being the avails of his estate in England, and having brought the same with him upon his removal to the United States, with the intention of becoming a citizen thereof.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Lovett presented a petition of Alfred Eldridge, praying for a pension, having been wounded; and a grant of the land, to which he is entitled, for services rendered as a soldier in the present army.

Ordered, That so much of the said petition as relates to a pension, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims; and that that part which relates to land, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Condict presented a petition of John Walton, a sergeant in the first regiment of artillery, praying for a pension, in consideration of a wound received in the discharge of his duty.

Mr. McKim presented a petition of John Elliot, praying for arrearages of pension.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Beall presented a document in support of the petition of James Crawford; which was referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Ormsby presented a petition of the Officers of the first regiment of Volunteer Light Dragoons, from the State of Kentucky, under the command of Lieut. Colonel James Simrall, praying compensation for horses lost in the service of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Lattimore,

Ordered, That the petition of Ann C. O'Connor, and Margaret O'Connor, heirs of John O'Connor, deceased, presented on the eighth of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Jennings presented a petition of the Legislature of the Indiana Territory, praying that the accounts of the companies of Rangers, commanded by Captains Peyton and Hargrove, may be settled and paid at the Treasury of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Jennings also presented another petition of the Legislature of the Indiana Territory, that the Judges in said Territory, appointed by the authority of the United States, may be instructed to submit to, and perform, certain judicial services required of them by the said Legislature.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, made a report on the petition of Henry Fanning; which was read, and

Mr. Eppes, from the same committee, reported a bill for the relief of Henry Fanning; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed, together with the report aforesaid, to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the Committee of Claims be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of William Dent Beall, and that it be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

A motion was submitted for consideration by Mr. Law, as follows:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire whether any treasonable correspondence has been held, or information, by means of *blue lights*, or signals by fire, given from the shores, at or near the harbor of New London, in the State of Connecticut, to the blockading squadron off that harbor, whereby the enemy might learn the state, condition, or movements, of the American ships under the command of Commodore Decatur, now in that port; and that the committee be authorized to take evidence, by deposition or otherwise, as they shall deem necessary, and report thereon to this House.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "granting Moses Hooke the right of pre-emption," and also a bill "authorizing the President of the United States to grant certain permissions to the inhabitants of the Island of Nantucket," and a bill "authorizing the President of the United States to cause certain regiments, therein mentioned, to be enlisted for five years, or during the war," and had found the same to be truly enrolled. On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

A resolution was submitted for consideration, by Mr. Roberts, as follows:

Resolved, That the message of the President, communicating a report of the Secretary of State, respecting the translation of a letter addressed by the late Minister of France to the Secretary of State, bearing date on or about the 14th of June, 1809, which appears, from said report, has been irregularly withdrawn from the Department of State, be referred to a select committee, to investigate when, by whom, and in what manner, the said translation of a letter was so withdrawn, and when, and in what manner, it came into the possession of Alexander C. Hanson, a member of this House; and that the said committee be authorized to send for persons and papers.

A motion was made by Mr. Grosvenor to amend the resolution, by inserting, after the words "a member of this House," the words, "and also when, in what manner, for what cause, by whom, and at whose request, the original of said letter was withdrawn from the files of the Department of State." When,

A motion was made by Mr. McKim, that the said resolution do lie on the table.

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 80,
 { Nays 62.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
 Alston,
 Archer,
 Avery,
 Bard,
 Barnett,
 Beall,
 Bowen,
 Brown,
 Burwell,
 Butler,
 Caldwell,
 Calhoun,
 Chappell,
 Clopton,
 Condict,
 Conard,
 Crawford,
 Creighton,
 Crouch,
 Denoyelles,
 Desha,
 Earle,
 Eppes,
 Evans,
 Findley,
 Fisk, of N. Y.

Mr. Forney,
 Franklin,
 Gholson,
 Gourdin,
 Griffin,
 Grundy,
 Hall,
 Harris,
 Hawes,
 Hubbard,
 Humphreys,
 Ingersoll,
 Ingham,
 Jackson, of Va.
 Johnson, of Va.
 Kennedy,
 Kerr,
 Kershaw,
 Kilbourn,
 King, of N. C.
 Lefferts,
 Lyle,
 M'Coy,
 M'Kee,
 M'Kim,
 M'Lean,
 Moore,

Mr. Nelson,
 Newton,
 Ormsby,
 Parker,
 Piper,
 Pleasants,
 Rea, of Pa.
 Rhea, of Tenn.
 Rich,
 Ringgold,
 Roane,
 Sage,
 Sevier,
 Seybert,
 Skinner,
 Smith, of Pa.
 Strong,
 Tannehill,
 Taylor,
 Telfair,
 Udree,
 Ward, of N. J.
 Williams,
 Wilson, of Pa.
 Wright,
 Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
 Bigelow,
 Bradbury,
 Breckenridge,
 Brigham,
 Caperton,
 Champion,
 Cilley,
 Cox,
 Culpeper,
 Davenport,
 Davis, of Mass.
 Dewey,
 Ely,
 Farrow,
 Forsyth,
 Gaston,
 Geddes,
 Grosvenor,
 Hale,
 Hopkins of N. Y.

Mr. Howell,
 Irwin,
 Jackson, of R. I.
 Kent, of N. Y.
 King, of Mass.
 Law,
 Lewis,
 Lovett,
 Moffit,
 Montgomery,
 Moseley,
 Murfree,
 Markell,
 Oakley,
 Pearson,
 Pickering,
 Pitkin,
 Post,
 Potter,
 John Reed,
 William Reed,

Mr. Ridgely,
 Roberts,
 Ruggles,
 Schureman,
 Sheffey,
 Sherwood,
 Shipherd,
 Smith, of N. Y.
 Stanford,
 Stockton,
 Sturges,
 Taggart,
 Tallmadge,
 Thompson,
 Ward, of Mass.
 Webster,
 Wheaton,
 Wilcox,
 Wilson, of Mass.
 Winter.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the Whole House on the bill for the more effectual enforcing of the non-importation laws, by forbidding the Courts to deliver to the claimants, pending the trial, merchandise or other articles seized under the same; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto; which was delivered in at the Clerk's table, read, and concurred in by the House.

A motion was made by Mr. Ward, of Massachusetts, further to amend the bill by striking out, from the word "be," in the thirty-second line, to the end thereof, and to

And the question being taken,

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Mr. John Reed,
William Reed,
Ridgely,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Tallmadge,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Winter.

Mr. Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Seybert,
Stanford,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Williams,
Wilson, of Pa.
Yancey.

A motion was made by Mr. King, of Massachusetts, to amend the bill, by inserting, after the word "Court," in the twenty-eighth line, the words, "and for the Judge of said Court when not in session;" also, to insert, after the word "Court," in the thirty-third line, the words, "or Judge."

And the question being taken,
It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Bradbury, to add to the end of the bill the following words :

“This act to continue, and to be in force, so long as the non-importation act continues, and no longer.”

And the question being taken,
It was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1814.

On motion of Mr. Sturges,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Connecticut, presented on the 24th of March, 1812, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Desha presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the States and Territories West of the Alleghany mountains, to the same effect with the petitions from other inhabitants of the said States and Territories, presented on the sixth instant ; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petitions of Azariah Root and Noah Spalding ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Archer, from the same committee, also made a report on the petitions of John Rice Jones, by William Bryan, his attorney ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the committee of Claims be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of William Garrard, Levin Wales, and Gideon Fitz, and that it be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Joanna Nash, and that it be referred to the Secretary of War.

Mr. Troup, from the conferees appointed on the part of this House, to attend a conference with the conferees on the part of the Senate, upon the subject-matter of the disagreeing votes of the two Houses to the amendments proposed by the Senate to the bill “making farther provision for filling the ranks of the regular army, encouraging enlistments, and authorizing the re-enlistment, for longer periods, of men whose terms of service are about to expire,” made a report ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ingham, from the committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of Mary Cheever ; which was read, and ordered to be referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Ingham also made a report on the petition of Chloe Strong ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ingham also made a report on the petition of Agnes and Mary Smith ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

Mr. Ingham also made a report on the petition of Hugh Mulloy ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported the agreement of the committee to the amendments of the Senate to the bill “for the appointment of an additional Judge in the Missouri Territory, and for other purposes.”

The said amendments were then again read at the Clerk’s table, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting his report in relation to the accounts of States and Territories, for moneys advanced in calling into the service of the United States detachments of militia, made in obedience to a resolution of the fifteenth instant ; which was read, and referred to the committee on that part of the President’s message which relates to a revision of the militia system.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled bills, reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill for the appointment of an additional Judge in the

Missouri Territory, and for other purposes," and had found the same to be truly enrolled: On which,

The Speaker signed the said bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

An engrossed bill for the more effectual enforcing of the non-importation laws, by forbidding the Courts to deliver to the claimants, pending the trial, merchandise or other articles seized under the same, was read the third time.

And, on the question that the same do pass,

It passed in the affirmative,

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| { | Yeas, | 87, |
| { | Nays, | 56. |

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Archer
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Burwell,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clepton,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,

Mr. Gholson,
Glasgow,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Hungerford,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
McCoy,
McKee,
McKim,
McLean,
Montgomery,

Mr. Moore,
Murfree,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Smith, of Penn.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Williams,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Caperton,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hanson,
Hopkins, of N. Y.

Mr. Howell,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Lewis,
Lovett,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Richardson,

Mr. Ridgely,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Stanford,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Winter.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the more effectual enforcing of the non-importation laws, by forbidding the Courts to deliver to the claimants, pending the trial, merchandise or other articles seized under the same;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, this day, present to the President of the United States the enrolled bills the examination of which was reported yesterday.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to prohibit the ransoming of ships or vessels of the United States, and the goods and merchandise on board the same, captured by the enemies thereof; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto; which were again read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill do lie on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed a bill "to incorporate the Directors of the Washington Library Company," in which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have so far receded from their amendments to the bill making further provision for filling the ranks of the regular army, encouraging enlistments, and authorizing the re-enlistment, for longer periods, of men whose terms of service are about to expire," as to adopt the modification agreed on and recommended by the joint committee of conference.

The House proceeded to consider the said message, and the report of the joint committee of conference being again read: Whereupon,

Resolved, That this House do also adopt the modification agreed on and recommended by the said committee of conference.

And so the said bill was passed by the two Houses.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

A resolution was submitted by Mr. Hopkins, of New York, for consideration, as follows :

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of making provision, by law, for the relief of those who have suffered losses by the irruptions of the enemy, upon the Niagara frontier, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill to prohibit the ransoming of ships or vessels of the United States, and the goods or merchandise on board the same, captured by the enemies thereof.

A motion was made by Mr. Gaston, that the said bill do lie on the table,

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. Kilbourn :

Resolved, That the Committee on Naval Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of increasing the pay of the officers, marines, and seamen, composing the crews of the fleets in the service of the United States, upon the Northern Lakes; and of offering such other inducements as they may deem necessary, if any, in addition to those now offered, for procuring a competent number and the proper description of men, for all the purposes connected with the naval service on that important frontier, by which to establish, with certainty, a complete command of those Lakes, so indispensably necessary for the operations in that quarter, in the further prosecution of the war, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

And on the question to agree to the said resolution,

It was determined in the negative.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1814.

Charles Goldsborough, from Maryland, appeared and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Wood,

Ordered, That the petition of Samuel Ellis, presented on the 25th of March, 1812, be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Ward, of Massachusetts,

Ordered, That the petition of John Frothingham, presented on the 24th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Hubbard presented a petition of sundry postmasters in the counties of Oxford and Cumberland, in the District of Maine, praying that a post route may be established from Portland to Waterford; also, from Portland to Gray.

Mr. Tallmadge presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Litchfield, Warrren, and Sharon, in Connecticut, praying that a post route may be established from Sharon to Litchfield.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. McKee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, reported a bill for the final adjustment of land titles in the State of Louisiana and Territory of Missouri; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Troup, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a bill to amend the act, entitled "An act to authorize a corps of sea fencibles;" which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Saturday next.

Mr. Taylor, from the committee on that part of the President's message which relates to a revision of the militia system, reported on the petition of the detachment of drafted militia of the District of Columbia; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

The bill from the Senate, "to incorporate the Directors of the Washington Library Company," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

An engrossed bill to prohibit the ransoming of ships or vessels of the United States, and the goods or merchandise on board the same, captured by the enemies thereof, was read the third time,

And, on the question that the same do pass?

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 80,
Nays 57.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Butler,
Calhoun,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Crouch,
Davis, of Pa.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Evans,
Farrow,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,

Mr. Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Irving,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Lefferts,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,

Mr. Moore,
Murfree,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Roane,
Roberts,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Strong,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Williams,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.

Mr. Bigelow,
Brigham,

Mr. Caperton,
Champion,

Mr. Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Dewey,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hasbrouck,
Howell,
Hufty,
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.

Mr. Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
William Reed,
Richardson,
Ridgley,
Ruggles,
Schureman,

Mr. Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith of N. Y.
Stockton,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to prohibit the ransoming of ships or vessels of the United States, and the goods, wares, or merchandise, on board the same, captured by the enemies thereof;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "making further provision for filling the ranks of the regular army, encouraging enlistments, and authorizing the re-enlistment, for longer periods, of men whose terms of service are about to expire," and had found the same to be truly enrolled:

On which,

The Speaker signed the said bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to raise three additional regiments of riflemen; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made some progress therein, and had directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1814.

Mr. Webster presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the town of Portsmouth, in New Hampshire, setting forth that, on the night of the 22d of December last, a great portion of said town was destroyed by fire, and praying that the proceeds of the direct taxes and the internal duties which have been or may be collected in said town may be granted for the relief of the sufferers.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Howell presented a petition of Ebenezer Goodrich, of Niagara county, in the State of New York, praying compensation for damages committed on his property by a detachment of Pennsylvania militia in the public service.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Howell also presented a petition of David Wandel, praying compensation for services rendered as a soldier in the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Taylor presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the county of Saratoga, in the State of New York, praying that a post road may be established from Stillwater to Ballston Springs.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Seybert presented a document relating to the petition of Archibald M'Call; which was referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Goldsborough,

Ordered, That the petition of Solomon Frazier, presented on the 23d of December, 1811, and the petition of Mary Eccleston, presented on the 10th of December, 1811 be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, of Virginia,

Ordered, That the petition of Joseph Sapp, presented on the 11th of February, 1813, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Gaston presented a petition of Edwin T. Satterwhite, Purser of the United States' late brig Vixen, stating that, by the construction given to the law, passed at the last session, for his relief, by the Accountant of the Navy Department, he has been deprived of the benefit of said law, and praying the interference of Congress; as, also, that he may be compensated for property lost by the wreck of the said brig Vixen.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. M'Lean presented a petition of Abraham Welty, of the State of Ohio, praying, for reasons stated in the petition, permission to change the location of a quarter section of land purchased of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of the governors of the New York hospital; which was read, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That so much of the said petition as relates to an increase of funds be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Forsyth,

Resolved, That the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures be instructed to inquire into the expediency of continuing in force the act declaring the consent of Congress to an act of the Legislature of Georgia, passed on the 12th of December, 1804, establishing the fees of the harbor master and health officer of the ports of Savannah and St. Mary's, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Robertson,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing the following post routes, in the state of Louisiana: from Concordia to the seat of justice in Ouachita; from Concordia to the seat of justice in Warren; from the canal Lafourche to the seat of justice in the parish of the interior of Lafourche; and from Opelousas court house to Alexandria, on Red river.

On motion of Mr. M'Lean,

Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be instructed to inquire whether it be expedient to make provision by law for the appointment of agents in those States where Commissioners of Loans are not appointed for the purpose of paying military pensioners, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Nelson,

Resolved, That the committee appointed on the petition of Jasper Anderson be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing for the officers, soldiers, sailors, and marines, on State establishment, entitled to bounty lands under the engagement of the State of Virginia, made during the Revolutionary war, out of the public lands of the United States; such compensation as may be deemed advisable to make good the State engagements, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Seybert,

Ordered, That Mr. Forsyth be appointed on the committee appointed on the 20th ultimo, to inquire into the present condition and distribution of the flags, standards, and colors, which have been taken by the forces of the United States from their enemies, in the place of Mr. Cheves, elected Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Roberts,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to revise the standing rules and orders of proceedings, and report such alterations and amendments as they may think proper and necessary, if, in their opinion, any be required.

Mr. Roberts, Mr. Macon, Mr. Pleasants, Mr. Breckenridge, Mr. Pitkin, Mr. Nelson, and Mr. Clark, were appointed the said committee.

Mr. King, of Massachusetts, submitted for consideration the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the Representatives of the People in Congress assembled cannot, consistently with the provisions of the Constitution and the nature of our Government, refuse to consider any resolution offered by any one of said Representatives: Therefore,

2. *Resolved*, That the refusal, by the majority in this House, to consider the resolutions offered by one of the Representatives of the People of Massachusetts, on Friday, the 14th of January, 1814, asserting the right of the People and of the respective States to a free State coasting trade, interdicted by an act of Congress, was an infringement of the right of the Representative, and of the privilege of a member of this House to be heard on this floor in behalf of his fellow citizens, and an injury to the People : And therefore,

3. *Resolved*, That the decision of the majority of this House, not to consider the resolutions before named, offered by a member on Friday, the 14th instant, on the subject of the State coasting trade, be, and the same is hereby, rescinded.

And, to provide against such abuse in future,

4. *Resolved*, That the following be added to the rules and orders of this House,
to wit :

“ That every original motion or resolution in writing, offered by any member, (the nature, reason, and object, of it, being first stated by him, if he sees fit,) shall be immediately received by the Clerk, and read, and thereupon be before the House for consideration, to be disposed of as the House may judge right; and such resolutions and motions shall be in order, and be called for by the Speaker immediately after the reports from select committees; and if any question of priority arise, it shall be decided in the order of States, as in the case of petitions. ”

The said resolutions were read, and the question was stated to consider the same :
When,

A division of the question was called for : On which,

The question was taken to consider the first resolution,

And was determined in the negative, { Yeas 43,
Nays 92.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Boyd,
Breckenridge,
Cilley,
Culpeper,
Davis, of Mass.
Ely,
Gaston,
Goldsborough,
Hawes,
Hopkins, of N. Y.
Howell,
Hufty,
Hungerford,

Mr. Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Macon,
Miller,
Moseley,
Markell,
Pearson,
Pickering,
John Reed,
Ridgely,
Ruggles,

Mr. Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Stanford,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass'tts.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chapell,
Clark,
Elopton,
Comstock,

Mr. Conard,
Cox,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn.,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Eppes,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vermont,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Griffin,

Mr. Grosvenor,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Irving,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
Lefferts,

Mr. Lovett,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Ormsby,
Pickens,
Pleasants,
Post,

Mr. Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Richardson,
Roane,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Pa.

Mr. Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. Jersey,
White,
Wilson, of Penn.
Winter.
Wood,
Yancey.

The question was then taken to consider the second resolution,

And was also determined in the negative, { Yeas 17,
Nays 115.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Hopkins, of N. Y.
Howell,
Kent, of N. Y.

Mr. King, of Mass.
Macon,
Moffit,
Pickering,
Schureman,
Sherwood,

Mr. Stanford,
Sturges,
Thompson,
Vose,
Wilson, of Mass.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Bayly, of Va.
Beall,
Bowen,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caperton,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Cox,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davis, of Pa.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Eppes,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.

Mr. Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Goldsborough,
Griffin,
Grosvenor,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingham,
Irving,
Irwin,
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
Law,
Lefferts,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kim.

Mr. M'Lean,
Miller,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Ormsby,
Pickins,
Pleasants,
Post,
Potter,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Richardson,
Roane,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sheffey,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Penn.
Strong,
Tallmadge,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.

Mr. Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,

Mr. Wilson, of Pa.
Winter,
Wood.

Mr. Yancey.

The question was then taken to consider the third resolution.

And was also determined in the negative,

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| { Yeas | 21, |
| { Nays | 102. |

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.

Boyd,
Goldsborough,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hopkins, of N. Y.
Kent, of N. Y.

Mr. King, of Mass.

Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Pickering.

Mr. Sherwood.

Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Thompson,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,

Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Breckenridge,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caperton,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davis, of Pa.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Eppes,
Findlay,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,

Mr. Franklin,

Gaston,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingham,
Irving,
Irwin,
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
McCoy,
McKim,
McLean,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Nelson,

Mr. Ormsby,

Grimsby,
 Parker,
 Pickins,
 Pleasants,
 Post,
 Potter,
 Rea, of Pa.
 Rhea, of Tenn.
 Rich,
 Richardson,
 Roane,
 Roberts,
 Robertson,
 Ruggles,
 Sage,
 Sevier,
 Seybert,
 Sheffey,
 Skinner,
 Smith, of Pa.
 Strong,
 Sturges,
 Tallmadge,
 Tannehill,
 Taylor,
 Telfair,
 Troup,
 Udree,
 Ward, of N. J.
 White,
 Wilson, of Pa.
 Winter,
 Wood,
 Yancey.

The fourth resolution was ordered to lie on the table for one day.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed a bill "to authorize the President of the United States to permit the departure of Paul Cuffee from the United States, with a vessel and cargo, for Sierra Leone, in Africa, and to return with a cargo," in which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to raise three additional regiments of riflemen; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

The House proceeded to consider the said bill.

A motion was made by Mr. Ridgely, to amend the same by striking out the words, "*that, in addition to the present military establishment,*" and to insert, "*that in lieu of three regiments of infantry at present authorized to be raised.*"

And debate arising,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 1814.

On motion of Mr. Bradbury,

Ordered, That the petition of the weighers, gaugers, and measurers, of the port of Portland, in the District of Maine, presented on the 27th of January, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Miller,

Ordered, That the petition of Arthur Tappan, presented on the 12th of June, 1813, be referred to the same committee.

Mr. Kent, of Maryland, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Washington and Georgetown, praying that a charter of incorporation may *not* be granted to the Bank of the Metropolis.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

Mr. Gholson presented a petition of James Carlon, praying compensation for services rendered as Clerk to the Captain of the United States' late brig Vixen.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Hungerford presented a petition of John T. Courtney and Samuel Harrison, praying compensation for their services in extinguishing the fire applied by the enemy to the United States' schooner Asp, by which said schooner was preserved, and restored to the public service.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Naval Establishment.

Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee, presented to the House an attested copy of an act passed by the Legislature of the State of Tennessee, entitled "An act for the more equal and equitable apportionment of the direct tax laid upon the State of Tennessee by an act of Congress of the United States, at the last session, amongst the counties of this State;" which was read, and referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the town of Mobile, praying that certain public lands in and adjacent to the said town, may be vested in the corporation for the use in common of the inhabitants thereof.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, made a report on the petition of Mark Langdon and Thomas M. Cobb; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition ought not to be granted.

Mr. Eppes, from the same committee, made a report on the petition of John Sims; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of Joseph W. Page; which was read: When,

Mr. Eppes reported a bill for the relief of Joseph W. Page; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of B. Renguenet; which was read, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of the manufacturers within the city of New York; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of Sarah Shiletto; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

Mr. Kent, from the Committee for the District of Columbia, reported a bill to extend the charter of the Farmers' Bank of Alexandria; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Friday next.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the Committee of Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Maria Auner, and that it be referred to the Secretary of War; and that the said committee be also discharged from the consideration of the petition of John P. Williamson and Thomas Rice, and that it be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the report of the Committee of Claims on the petition of Jesse Jennett, be recommitted to the same committee.

Mr. Pleasants, from the Select Committee, by leave of the House, reported a bill authorizing a subscription for the laws of the United States, and for the distribution thereof; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Moore, from the Committee appointed on the petition of George St. Clare, made a report thereon; which was read, and the resolution therein contained, was disagreed to by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House allow to George St. Clare, at the rate of nine dollars and fifty cents per cord, for the wood deliverable, by contract, for the use of this House during the present session of Congress.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting a report of the names and salaries of the Clerks employed in the Navy Department during the year 1813; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, yesterday, present to the President of the United States, for his approbation, the two enrolled bills, the examination of which was reported yesterday.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill to raise three additional regiments of riflemen, and the question recurred on the amendment proposed by Mr. Ridgely: Whereupon,

The said amendment was modified to read as follows: "That, in lieu of five of the regiments at present authorized."

A motion was made by Mr. Tallmadge, that the said bill be recommitted to the Committee on Military Affairs.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken on the motion of Mr. Ridgely, as modified,

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 97,
 { Nays 55.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Archer,
Bard,
Barnett,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Bowen,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Brown,
Burwell,
Capertown,
Calhoun,
Champion,
Chappell,
Cilley,
Condict,
Cooper,
Cox,
Crawford,

Mr. Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Davis, of Pa.
Dewey,
Ely,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Findley,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Geddes,
Glasgow,
Goldsborough,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hall,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hopkins, of N. Y.
Howell,
Hufty,
Hungerford,

Mr. Ingham,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Macon,
M'Lean,
Moffit,
Moore,
Moseley,
Markell,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,

Mr. William Reed,
Rea, of Pa.
Richardson,
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Schureman,
Seybert,
Sheffey,

Mr. Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Taggart
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.

Mr. Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Anderson,
Avery,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Evans,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Gholson,

Mr. Griffin,
Grundy,
Harris,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
Montgomery,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,

Mr. Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Roan,
Sage,
Sevier,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Williams,
Wilson, of Pa.

The said bill was then further amended, and ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill giving further time for purchasers of public lands to complete their payments; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Macon reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto; which were read at the Clerk's table, and agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, to whom was committed the proposition submitted by Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, to amend the Constitution of the United States: and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Pitkin reported that the committee had had the state of the Union under consideration, and come to no resolution thereon.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President had approved and signed,

"An act granting Moses Hooke the right of pre-emption;"

"An act for the appointment of an additional Judge in the Missouri Territory, and for other purposes;"

"An act making further provision for filling the ranks of the Regular Army, encouraging enlistments, and authorizing the re-enlistment, for longer periods, of men whose terms of service are about to expire."

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

An engrossed bill to raise five additional regiments of riflemen was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to raise five regiments of riflemen;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate and desire their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. King, of North Carolina,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Wilmington, by the way of Whitesville, in the State of North Carolina, to Newsorns, in South Carolina, and the discontinuance of the route now existing from Elizabeth to Whitesville.

On motion of Mr. Robertson,

Ordered, That, when the House adjourns, it will meet again on Monday next. And then the House adjourned until Monday morning eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 1814.

Mr. Ely presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Massachusetts, who are non-resident proprietors of lands and houses in the State of Ohio, praying that the act to lay and collect a direct tax may be so amended that their lands and houses in the State of Ohio may be taxed by the same common rule as the lands and houses of residents of Ohio are taxed.

Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the District of Penobscot, in the District of Maine, praying to be relieved from the forfeitures and penalties which they have incurred by importations of goods from the dominions of Great Britain.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts,

Ordered, That the petition of Daniel Johnston; the petition of Daniel Johnston and Otis Little; the petition of Stover Perkins; and the petition of Joseph Perkins and Ebenezer Perkins, all presented on the 26th of February, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. J. Reed,

Ordered, That the petition of James Washburn and John Alexander, presented on the 19th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of Samuel Smith, and others, of Beverly, in the State of Massachusetts, praying to be permitted to return with their vessel and cargo from Eastport to Beverly, aforesaid.

Mr. Wilson also presented a petition of Samuel Tucker, owner and commander of the private armed boat Lizard, praying permission to send a prize vessel and cargo from Eastport to Boston, in the State of Massachusetts.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. Irving presented a petition of the owners of private armed vessels fitted out of the port of New York, praying for a bounty on the destruction of enemy's vessels, and an increase of the bounty for persons captured.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Mr. Hopkins, of New York, presented a petition of Giles Wolcott, praying compensation for services rendered, and expenses incurred, in the discharge of his duty, whilst an officer in the Revolutionary Army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Lovett presented a petition of John R. Williams, praying, for reasons stated in the petition, that the bonds given by him to the United States, for a tract of land near Detroit, in the Territory of Michigan, may be cancelled, and that he may be permitted to re-convey the said land to the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands. The Speaker presented a petition of Beatly Barrett, praying for a pension, in consideration of wounds received in the Revolutionary Army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of Walker Baylor; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ingham also made a report on the petition of Susanna Taylor; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* her petition.

Mr. Chappell, from the same committee, made a report on the petition of Daniel Goodwyn; which was read, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the first Monday in March next.

Mr. Ingham also made a report on the petitions of Aquila Deaver, Samuel Frazier, and Edward Kain; which was read, and the resolution therein contained, was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave, respectively, to *withdraw* their petitions.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of John Walton, and that it be referred to the Secretary of War.

Mr. M'Kee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the renewal of a land warrant to George Shannon; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Troup, from the Committee on Military Affairs, by leave of the House, reported a bill to authorize the President to retain in service certain volunteer corps; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

Mr. Troup, from the same committee, by leave of the House, reported a bill making provision for the pay of two companies of rangers organized for the defence of the frontier of the United States; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Friday next.

Mr. Archer, from the committee appointed to examine the state of the Office of the Clerk of the House, made a report; which was read, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of State, transmitting a list of persons who have obtained patents for inventions during the last year; which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The Speaker also laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a report of the unsettled accounts in the offices of the Accountant of the War Department and of the Paymaster of the Army; which were read, and referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

The bill from the Senate, "to authorize the President of the United States to permit the departure of Paul Cuffee from the United States, with a vessel and cargo, for Sierra Leone, in Africa, and to return with a cargo," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The President of the United States did, on the 25th instant, approve and sign "An act authorizing the President of the United States to grant certain permissions to the inhabitants of the Island of Nantucket;" and, on the 28th, "An act authorizing the President of the United States to cause certain regiments therein mentioned to be enlisted for five years, or during the war."

An engrossed bill giving further time for purchasers of public lands to complete their payments was read the third time, and the question was stated that the same do pass: When,

A motion was made by Mr. Hall, that the said bill do lie on the table.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Forsyth, that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Friday next.

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Mary Philip Le Duc; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, to whom was committed the resolutions submitted by Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, to amend the Constitution of the United States; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Macon reported that the committee had had the state of the Union under consideration, and that he was instructed to report to the House their agreement to the resolutions aforesaid.

The House proceeded to consider the report of the Committee of the Whole House: When it was,

On motion of Mr. Wright,

Ordered, That the further consideration thereof be postponed until Monday next.

The House resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, on the resolution submitted by Mr. Pickens, to amend the Constitution of the United States.

The question was taken to concur with the committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union in their disagreement to the said resolution.

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas, 83,
 { Nays, 64.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
 Anderson,
 Avery,
 Bard,
 Baylies, of Mass.
 Bigelow,
 Boyd,
 Bradbury,
 Bradley,
 Brigham,
 Brown,
 Burwell,
 Champion,
 Cilley,
 Clopton,
 Comstock,
 Cooper,
 Cox,
 Crawford,
 Davenport,
 Davis, of Pa.
 Denoyelles,
 Dewey,
 Earle,
 Ely,
 Eppes,
 Evans,
 Farrow,

Mr. Findley,
 Fisk, of N. Y.
 Forsyth,
 Geddes,
 Glasgow,
 Goodwyn,
 Grosvenor,
 Hale,
 Hall,
 Hasbrouck,
 Hopkins, of N. Y.
 Howell,
 Hufty,
 Ingersoll,
 Ingham,
 Kerr,
 Kershaw,
 Kilbourn,
 Law,
 Lefferts,
 Lovett,
 Lyle,
 M'Coy,
 Moffit,
 Moseley,
 Markell,
 Nelson,
 Oakley,

Mr. Pickering,
 Piper,
 Pitkin,
 Pleasants,
 Post,
 Potter,
 John Reed,
 William Reed,
 Rea, of Pa.
 Roberts,
 Ruggles,
 Sherwood,
 Smith, of Pa.
 Sturges,
 Tallmadge,
 Tannehill,
 Taylor,
 Telfair,
 Thompson,
 Udree,
 Vose,
 Ward, of Mass.
 Webster,
 Wheaton,
 Wilcox,
 Wilson, of Mass.
 Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alston,
 Archer,
 Barnett,
 Bayly, of Va.
 Breckenridge,
 Caperton,
 Caldwell,
 Calhoun,
 Chappell,
 Clark,
 Condict,
 Conard,
 Creighton,
 Crouch,
 Culpeper,
 Davis, of Mass.
 Desha,
 Forney,
 Franklin,
 Gaston,
 Gholson,
 Goldsborough,

Mr. Gourdin,
 Grundy,
 Harris,
 Hawes,
 Hubbard,
 Humphreys,
 Hungerford,
 Irving,
 Jackson, of R. I.
 Jackson, of Va.
 Kennedy,
 Kent, of N. Y.
 Kent, of Md.
 King, of Mass.
 King, of N. C.
 Lewis,
 Lowndes,
 Macon,
 M'Kim,
 M'Lean,
 Montgomery,
 Moore,

Mr. Murfree,
 Newton,
 Ormsby,
 Parker,
 Pearson,
 Pickins,
 Rhea, of Tenn.
 Rich,
 Roane,
 Robertson,
 Sage,
 Sheffey,
 Skinner,
 Stanford,
 Taggart,
 White,
 Williams,
 Wilson, of Pa.
 Wright,
 Yancey.

And so the said resolutions were rejected.

A motion was then made by Mr. Hall, that the House do reconsider the vote last taken: On which,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1814.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill "to prohibit the importation of certain articles, and for other purposes," in which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Condict presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the District of Great Egg Harbor, in the State of New Jersey, praying that the port of Great Egg Harbor may be made a port of entry for foreign vessels.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Ingham presented a petition of Ambrose Lewis, praying for arrearages of the pension heretofore granted him.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Franklin presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Ashe and Wilkes counties, in North Carolina, praying that a post route may be established from Grayson Court House, in Virginia, to Ashe Court House aforesaid.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee, presented a resolution of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee, requesting Congress to pass an act more effectually to enforce the observance of an act of the said Legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the more equal apportionment of the direct tax, laid on this State by the Congress of the United States, among the different counties of this State."

Ordered, That the said resolution be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Rhea also presented a petition of Nathaniel Taylor, praying for a pre-emption right to a tract of land in the country of the Chickasaw Indians, on which he has erected, by permission of the General Government, a set of iron works.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Secretary of War.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the committee on the Judiciary, by leave of the House, reported a bill to authorize the erection of a Penitentiary, in the District of Columbia, and to provide the necessary funds therefor; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, by leave of the House, reported a bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

Mr. Eppes, also, by leave of the House, reported a bill to authorize the issuing of Treasury notes, for the service of the year 1814; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

Mr. Eppes, also, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of Stephen Girard; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Saturday next.

Mr. Eppes, also, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of Daniel Macauley and Samuel Ralston; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Saturday next.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of Daniel P. Parker, Nathan Appleton, and Ebenezer Appleton; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of John P. Williamson and Thomas Rice; which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of Christopher N. Kiersted; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of the weighers, gaugers, and measurers, for the port of Portland; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. Macon, for consideration:

Resolved, That the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives be authorized to close the present session, by adjourning their respective Houses on Monday, the seventh day of March next.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Lattimore,

Resolved, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office be requested to state to this House such information as he may be in possession of, relative to the ability and disposition of purchasers of public lands, in the Mississippi Territory, to make payments for such lands as are, or soon may be forfeited, in case they should be further indulged with time to complete such payments.

The House resumed the consideration of the motion made by Mr. Hall, and depending yesterday at the time of adjournment : On which,

Mr. Hall withdrew his said motion.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill "in addition to an act, entitled 'An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States, in which they desire the concurrence of this House.

A message, in writing, was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the report of the Committee of Elections, on the petition of John Taliaferro, contesting the election of John P. Hungerford, one of the Representatives from the State of Virginia ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said report under consideration, and disagreed to the resolutions contained in the said report, to wit :

1. *Resolved*, That the said election was illegal, and ought to be set aside.

2. *Resolved*, That John P. Hungerford is not entitled to a seat in this House.

The House proceeded to consider the report of the Committee of the Whole House: When,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1814.

Mr. Davis, of Massachusetts presented a petition of Jonathan Davis, agent for Peyton Gay and Israel Kinsman, of Boston, praying the restoration of a quantity of merchandise, the property of the petitioners, which was shipped at Havana, on board of the Spanish brig *Patriotta*, and which has been seized by the revenue officers of the United States, for a breach of the act of Congress of the sixth of July, 1812, relating to the transfer of certain vessels.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Irving presented a petition of Edmund Brett, a private marine, praying to be allowed the same bounty, pay, and lands, as are allowed to soldiers in the army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Condict presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Sussex county, in New Jersey, praying that a post route may be established from Newton, in New Jersey, to Milford, in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Davis, of Pennsylvania, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Pennsylvania, praying that a post route may be established from Philadelphia, by West Chester, to the Gap Post Office, in Lancaster county, the Gum Tree, and Doe Run Tavern, to Wilmington, in Delaware.

Mr. Findley presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Cambria, Indiana, and Armstrong, in Pennsylvania, praying that the post route from Ebensburg to Indiana may be so altered, as to pass over the State road.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Tannchill,

Ordered, That the petition of Sally Richardson, presented on the 9th of March, 1812, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Findley presented a petition of Benjamin Wells, late a collector of direct taxes in the State of Pennsylvania, praying that he may be authorized to sell real property of persons who have not paid their tax, to enforce payment of the same.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. McKim,

Ordered, That the petition of Clement Sewall, presented on the 25th of January, 1813, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Wright presented a letter from Joseph Raisin, of Maryland, enclosing a letter from Unit Medford, a native citizen of the United States, who was impressed into the

British naval service, and is now confined on board a prison ship, at Chatham, in England, as an American prisoner of war, and soliciting the interference of the Government to effect his release.

Ordered, That the said letters be referred to the Secretary of State.

Mr. Goldsborough presented an address of the House of Delegates of the State of Maryland, setting forth their disapprobation of the present war with Great Britain, and the insufficiency of the grounds upon which it was declared ; as, also, of the acts of the General Government for the effectual and vigorous prosecution of the same ; requesting that additional and more efficient protection may be afforded to the State of Maryland, and imploring that the negotiations about to be instituted may be carried on with a just and earnest intention of bringing them to an amicable result.

The said address was read : When,

A motion was made by Mr. Goldsborough, that it be ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Forsyth : On which,
The question was taken on ordering the said address to lie on the table,
And passed in the affirmative.

The question was then taken on printing the said address,

And was determined in the negative, { Yeas, 68,
 { Nays, 92.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Farrow,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Goldsborough,
Grosvenor,
Hale,

Mr. Hanson,
Howell,
Hufty,
Hungerford,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
John Reed,

Mr. William Reed,
Ridgely,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chapman,

Mr. Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Findley,
Fisk, of Ver.

Mr. Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,

Mr. Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,

Mr. M'Lean,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Roane,
Robertson,
Sage,

Mr. Sevier,
Seybert,
Smith, of Penn.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Williams,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright,
Yancey.

On motion of Mr. Burwell,

Ordered, That the petition of Amelie Eugenie de Beaumarchais, by John A. Chevallie, her attorney, presented on the 24th of December, 1805, together with all the papers relating to the claim of the said Amelie Eugenie de Beaumarchais, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Macon presented sundry documents relating to the claim of John F. M'Grew to a tract of land in the Mississippi Territory ; which were referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Kilbourn presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the States and Territories West of the Allegheny mountains, to the same effect with the petition of sundry other inhabitants of the said States and Territories, presented on the 6th ultimo ; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, made a report on the petition of Jane Dauphin ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Newton, from the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures, made a report on the petition of Joshua Sands ; which was read : When,

Mr. Newton, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of Joshua Sands, late Collector of the Customs for the port of New York ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Friday next.

Mr. Kent, from the Committee for the District of Columbia, by leave of the House, reported a bill to incorporate the subscribers to a bank in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, by the name and style of the Union Bank of Alexandria ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Friday next.

Mr. Fisk, from the Committee of Elections, made a report on the petition of Burwell Bassett, contesting the election of Thomas M. Bayly, one of the Representatives from Virginia ; which was read : And,

On motion of Mr. Eppes,

Ordered, That Mr. Bassett have leave to occupy a seat on the floor of this House during the consideration of the report of the Committee of Elections.

The House then proceeded to consider the said report : And,

On motion of Mr. Jackson, of Virginia,

Ordered, That the said report do lie on the table.

The message received yesterday from the President of the United States, was read, as follows :

To the House of Representatives of the United States :

I transmit to the House of Representatives a report of the Secretary of War, complying with their resolution of the 31st December last.

JAMES MADISON.

JANUARY 31, 1814.

On motion of Mr. Yancey,

Ordered, That the said message and documents do lie on the table.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Ringgold have leave of absence for ten days from Tuesday last.

Mr. Pitkin, Mr. Sturges, and Mr. Moseley, presented petitions from sundry inhabitants of the State of Connecticut, who are non-resident proprietors of lands and houses in the State of Ohio, to the same effect with the petition from sundry inhabitants of Massachusetts, presented on the 31st ultimo.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Newton presented a petition of David Brodit, Collector of the Customs for the port of Hampton, in the State of Virginia, praying to be allowed his commissions on the duties paid on the cargo of the ship *Active*, which arrived within his district in the year 1812.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Grundy presented a resolution of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee, requesting the Representation from that State, in Congress, to endeavor to procure a public road to be opened from some point between the mouths of Pearl and Chefuncty rivers, by the way of the Cotton Gin Port, on the Tombigbee, to the lower end of the Muscle Shoals, on Tennessee river.

Ordered, That the said resolution be referred to the Secretary of War.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the Committee on the Judiciary, by leave of the House, reported a bill to prescribe the mode of authenticating the public acts, records, and judicial proceedings, of the several States, and for declaring the effect of certain judicial proceedings; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. M'Kee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, reported a bill for attaching to the Canton district, in the State of Ohio, the tract of land lying between the foot of the Rapids of the Miami of Lake Erie, and the Connecticut Reserve; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Troup, from the Committee on Military Affairs, made a report on the memorial of the Legislature of the State of Kentucky; which was read: When,

Mr. Troup, from the same committee, reported a bill supplementary to the act, entitled "An act to provide for the widows and orphans of militia slain, and for militia disabled in the service of the United States; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and, together with the report abovementioned, committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Saturday next.

Mr. Grundy, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, reported a bill to provide for the return to their own districts, of vessels detained by the embargo, in districts other than those where they are respectively owned or belong; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The bill from the Senate, to prohibit the importation of certain articles, and for other purposes, was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

The bill from the Senate, in addition to "An act, entitled 'An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States,'" was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

An engrossed bill for the relief of Mary Philip Le Duc, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Mary Philip Le Duc;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The following resolution was submitted for consideration by Mr. Lovett:

Resolved, That the Committee on Naval Affairs be instructed to inquire whether *John Clark*, a *Midshipman* in the Navy of the United States, was slain on board the *Scorpion*, one of the vessels of the squadron under the command of Captain Oliver H. Perry, in the action with a British squadron on Lake Erie, on the 10th of September last; and, if so, to report to this House the reasons, if any, why equal honors should not be bestowed upon the services and memory of said *John Clark*, as upon those of other officers of like rank, who fell in that battle.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Fisk, of New York,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire in what manner contracts for supplying the Army of the United States have been made and executed, and to what

extent general officers have interfered in such contracts, prejudicial to the public interest or the rights of individuals, and that the committee have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Fisk, of New York, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Miller, and Mr. Hall, were appointed the said committee.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize the President of the United States to retain in service certain volunteer corps; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stanford reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

A motion was made by Mr. Pickering to amend the bill, by inserting, after the word "proportion," in the 4th line of the 1st section, the words, "not exceeding one regiment."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Tallmadge to insert, after the word "States," in the 4th line of the 1st section, the words, "for the defence of the Atlantic frontier."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Bigelow to insert, after the word "acts," in the 8th line of the 1st section, the words, "and whose term of service has not expired."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Tallmadge to add, to the end of the 1st section, the following: "And provided the whole number of men so retained in service shall not exceed 2,000 men."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 42,
 { Nays 82.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Bayly, of Va.

Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Dewey,
Ely,
Geddes,
Halc,
Hanson,

Mr. Hopkins, of N. Y.

Howell,
Hufty,
Jackson, of R. I.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lovett,
M'Kee,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Morseley,
Markell,
Pickering,
Post,

Mr. William Reed,

Ridgely,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Vose,
Whcaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,

Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Chappell,
Clark,
Clopton,

Mr. Comstock,

Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Pa.
Desha,
Earle,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,

Mr. Forsyth,

Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Hall,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Irving,
Irwin,

Mr. Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Lean,
Moore,
Murfree,
Newton,

Mr. Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Roane,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,

Mr. Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Strong,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Yancey.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-day.

On motion of Mr. Irving,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing, by law, for a better organization of the District Court, for the New York district, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1814.

Mr. Ely presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Massachusetts, who are non-resident proprietors of lands and houses in the State of Ohio, to the same effect with the petition from sundry inhabitants of Massachusetts, presented on the thirty-first ultimo.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Moffit presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of New York, praying that a post road may be established from the city of Albany, through Bath, Sand Lake, the Glass House, and Stephentown, in the State of New York, Hancock, Lanesborough, Cheshire, Adams, Savoy, Plainfield, Goshen, and Williamsburgh, to Northampton, in Massachusetts.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Hopkins, of New York,

Ordered, That the petition of Ralph M. Pomeroy, presented on the 17th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Rhea presented a resolution of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee, requesting the representation from that State to endeavor to procure the passage of a law appropriating a sum of money to remove the obstructions to the safe navigation of the river Tennessee, in the Muscle Shoals.

Ordered, That the said resolution be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Rhea also presented a resolution of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee, requesting the representation from that State to procure a road to be opened from the town of Reynoldsburgh, in the State of Tennessee, through the Chickasaw and Choctaw nations of Indians, to intersect the road from Calbert's Ferry to Natchez, in the Mississippi Territory.

Ordered, That the said resolution be referred to the Secretary of War.

Mr. Rhea also presented sundry resolutions of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee, requesting the representation from that State to procure the extinguishment of the Indian title within the chartered limits of their State, making the Western boundary the Mississippi river; if not, so much within the chartered limits of the State, as will make the river Tennessee the boundary between the citizens of that State, and the Chickasaw and Cherokee Indians. Also, in the event an extinguishment cannot be obtained, that they use their endeavors to obtain some means whereby the lands within the chartered limits of the State, to which the Indian title is not extinguished, and for which grants have issued, to be re-surveyed, so as to identify and perpetuate the claims of individuals thereto. Also, that they procure the passage of a law of Congress authorizing the perfecting titles to land to which the Indian title is extinguished, South and West of the Congressional reservation line.

Ordered, That the first of said resolutions be referred to the Secretary of War; and that the second and third of the said resolutions be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill for the relief of William Stothard and Josiah Starkney, in which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Seybert, from the Committee appointed, on the 20th of December last, "to inquire into the present condition and distribution of the flags, standards, and colors, which have been taken by the forces of the United States from their enemies, made a report; which was read: When

Mr. Seybert, from the same committee, reported a bill to provide for the collection, preservation, and public exhibition, of such flags, standards, and colors, as shall have been or may hereafter be taken, by the land and naval forces of the United States, from their enemies; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and, together with the report, committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Lowndes, from the Committee on the Naval Establishment, reported a resolution directing a sword to be presented to the nearest male relative of Midshipman John Clark; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said resolution was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House this day.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting his annual statements of moneys paid at the Treasury, during the year 1813, for miscellaneous claims; of contracts made by or under his direction, for the same year; and of payments made by Collectors in 1812, for the relief of sick and disabled seamen; which were referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

The Speaker also laid before the House a letter from the acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a report of the names of Clerks employed in the several offices of the Treasury Department, during the year 1813, with the sums respectively paid to each, in obedience to the act "to regulate and fix the compensation of Clerks, &c.;" which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

The Speaker also laid before the House a letter from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, transmitting a report, in obedience to a resolution of the House, of the first instant; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill from the Senate, "for the relief of William Stothart and Josiah Starkney," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to the Committee of Ways and Means.

An engrossed bill "to authorize the President to retain in service certain volunteer corps," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to authorize the President to retain in service certain volunteer corps," and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The House resumed the consideration of the engrossed bill giving further time to purchasers of public lands to complete their payments.

And the question was again stated, "Shall the bill pass?" When it was,

On motion of Mr. Forsyth,

Ordered, That the said bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House this day.

On motion of Mr. Lowndes,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the consideration of the resolution directing a sword to be presented to the nearest male relative of Midshipman John Clark.

A motion was made by Mr. Grosvenor that the House do now proceed to consider the resolution submitted by Mr. Roberts, on the 24th ultimo.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 60,
Nays 80.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Bayly, of Va.

Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,

Mr. Cilley,

Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,

Mr. Geddes,

Goldsborough,
Grosvenor,
Grundy,
Hale,
Hanson,
Hopkins, of N. Y.
Howell,

Mr. Stockton,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wood.

Mr. Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Taylor, |
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Williams,
Wilson, of Penn.
Yancey.

Mr. Bradbury,
Brockenridge.

Mr. Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Forsyth,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Goldsborough,
Grosvenor,
Hanson,
Hopkins, of N. Y.
Howell,
Hungerford,
Jackson of R. I.

Mr. Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Maryland,
King of Mass.
Law,
Lefferts,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Ridgely,

Mr. Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk of Ver.

Mr. Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,

Mr. Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pen.
Rhea of Ten.
Rich,
Roan,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Vir.
Strong,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Williams,
Wilson, of Penn.
Yancey.

On motion of Mr. Gaston,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post road from Trent Bridge, through Trent, to Duplin Court House, in North Carolina.

On motion of Mr. Kent, of Maryland,

Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of granting some additional compensation to the Commissioner of Loans for the State of Maryland, in consequence of increased duties imposed upon that officer.

On motion of Mr. Robertson,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Public Lands be instructed to inquire into the expediency of revising and amending the fifth section of the act, entitled "An act providing for the final adjustment of claims to lands, and for the sale of the public lands, in the Territories of Orleans and Louisiana, and to repeal the act passed for the same purpose," and approved February 16, 1811, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to amend the act, entitled "An act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; and notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Macon reported that the committee had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto; which he delivered in at the Clerk's table, where the same was twice read, and agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to satisfy the claim of Mary Wells, executrix of William Wells; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of William Piatt; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Desha reported that the committee had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the engrossed bill for giving further time to purchasers of public lands to complete their payments; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto; which was again read at the Clerk's table, and disagreed to by the House.

And on the question, "Shall the bill pass?"

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for giving further time to purchasers of public lands to complete their payments," and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to consider the resolution directing a sword to be presented to the nearest male relative of Midshipman John Clark, and the same being amended and agreed to, it was ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned until Monday morning eleven o'clock.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1814.

Mr. Ward, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Massachusetts, who are non-resident proprietors of lands and houses in the State of Ohio, to the same effect with the petitions from the inhabitants of the said State, presented on the 31st ultimo; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Baylies presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Norfolk, Plymouth, and Bristol, in the State of Massachusetts, praying that a post route may be established, from Boston, by Dorchester, Milton, Randolph, North, West, and South Bridgewater, to Taunton.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Potter presented a petition of sundry distillers in the town of Newport, in the State of Rhode Island, praying that the act laying duties on stills may be repealed; or, that the said duties may be reduced; or, that the tax may be laid upon the quantity of liquor distilled, and not upon the capacity of the still; or, that the stills may be taxed for the time only in which they are actually employed.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Fisk, of New York, presented a petition of sundry owners of mills, in the counties of Orange, Ulster, and Dutchess, in the State of New York, complaining of the oppressions of Oliver Evans, in the exercise of his patent right to certain mill machinery, and praying the interference of Congress.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of the Whole House to whom is referred the report of a select committee on the memorial of sundry inhabitants of Baltimore upon the same subject.

Mr. Jennings presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the States and Territories West of the Alleghany mountains, to the same effect with the petitions from other in-

habitants of the said States and Territories, presented on the 6th ultimo ; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Jennings presented a protest of the Legislative Council of the Indiana Territory, against the proceedings of the Governor of that Territory, in re-dividing the Territory into council districts.

The said protest was read, and referred to Mr. Jennings, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Winter, Mr. Humphreys, and Mr. Sturges.

Mr. Hempstead presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the village of Peoria, in the Illinois Territory, praying compensation for property destroyed by a detachment of the Army of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of Richard Fletcher, of the Mississippi Territory, praying for the renewal of a military land warrant, which was destroyed by the earthquake, in the Spring of 1812, and that he may be permitted to locate said warrant on any public land in said Territory.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Newton, from the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of Samuel Ellis ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Kent, from the Committee for the District of Columbia, by leave of the House, reported a bill making an appropriation for building a jail, in the county of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the Committee on the Judiciary, by leave of the House, reported a bill to define more explicitly the duties of the Judges of the General Court of the Territory of Indiana ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a statement of the exports of the United States, during the year ending on the 30th of September, 1813 ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

An engrossed joint resolution "directing a sword to be presented to the nearest male relative of Midshipman John Clark," was read the third time and passed.

An engrossed bill to amend the act, entitled "An act laying duties on the notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies ; and notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies ; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions ;" was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act laying duties on the notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies ; and notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies ; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions.'"

An engrossed bill to satisfy the claim of Mary Wells, Executrix of William Wells, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to satisfy the claim of Mary Wells, executrix of William Wells, deceased."

An engrossed bill for the relief of William Piatt was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of William Piatt ;" and that the Clerk do carry the said resolution and bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to compensate Michael Hogan for the occupation of, and damages done to, his house, by a detachment of United States' troops ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. King, of North Carolina, reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the Whole House on the bill attaching to the Canton district, in the State of Ohio, the tract of land lying between the foot of the Rapids of the Miami of Lake Erie and the Connecticut Western Reserve ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

A motion was then made by Mr. Hall, to strike out the first section of the said bill.

It was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill further to amend the act to regulate pensions to persons on board private armed ships; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto; which was read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday next.

The following resolution was submitted for consideration, by Mr. Ingersoll :

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to cause to be laid before this House such information as may be obtained, under the following particulars of inquiry, respecting the General Post Office establishment of the United States, viz :

1. The names, places of residence, and number of all the Postmasters of the United States, together with the salary and emoluments of each, and the aggregate compensation of the whole.

2. The number of Clerks in each and every Post Office of the United States; including those in the General Post Office, together with the salary and emoluments of each, and the aggregate compensation of the whole.

3. The amount allowed and paid out of the public funds for house rent or room rent, stationery, fuel, and all other expenses, stated or contingent, in each and all of the Post Offices in the United States, distinguishing each item in each office, as well as exhibiting the whole amount in them all.

4. The amount, annually, of charges incident to the transportation of the mail, in the consumption, loss, or destruction of bags, or other articles provided at the public expense.

5. The amount of all contracts for the transportation of the mail of the United States, with the names of the contractors, and aggregate expense.

6. The amount of all contracts for extra services, together with the names of the persons employed, and their extra allowance during the last four years.

7. The regulations, if any, instructions, if any, and practice that prevail respecting franking by Postmasters, and the deduction, as far as can be ascertained, which the public revenue sustains by their franking

8. Information of the particular duties performed by the Deputy Postmaster General, and by the Assistant Postmaster General, as distinct from the duties performed by the Postmaster General, in order that it may appear whether the permanent existence of all three of those officers is indispensable to the public service.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Irving,

Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending the law, entitled "An act laying duties on sales at auction of merchandise, and of ships and vessels;" and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to provide for the return to their own districts, of vessels detained by the embargo in districts other than those where they are respectively owned or belong ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto, which were again read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

A motion was then made by Mr. King, of Massachusetts, further to amend the said bill, by striking out the word "*provisions*," in the 12th line, and the following words contained in the 12th, 13th, and 14th lines: "*which were on board the same when the masters received notice of the act as aforesaid.*"

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Murfree, And, on the question to strike out the word "*provisions,*"

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 51,
Nays 69.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bradbury,

Mr. Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Cilley,

Mr. Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,

Mr. Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Howell,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Lewis,
Lovett,

Mr. Miller,
Moffit,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
John Reed,
Ridgely,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Shipherd,

Mr. Smith, of N. Y.
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Anderson,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Bowen,
Brown,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstsch,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Crouch,
Davis, of Pa.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.

Mr. Forney,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Leflerts,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Lean,
Murfree,
Nelson,

Mr. Newton,
Parker,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Roane,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Tannehill,
Telfair,
Udree,
Williams,
Wilson, of Pa.
Yancey.

The question was then taken on the residue of the amendment proposed by Mr. King,

And was also determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Pickering, to amend the bill by striking out the second section : When,

The House adjourned until Monday morning, eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1814.

A new member, to wit : from Georgia, Alfred Cuthbert, elected to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of William W. Bibb, appeared and took his seat ; the oath to support the Constitution of the United States being first administered to him by the Speaker.

Mr. Sturges presented petitions from sundry inhabitants of the State of Connecticut, who are non-resident proprietors of lands and houses in the State of Ohio, to the same effect with the petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Massachusetts, presented on the 31st ultimo, which were referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Condict presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Morris and Sussex, in the State of New Jersey, praying that a post route may be established over the turnpike road from Morristown to Milford, in Pennsylvania.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. M'Kim presented a petition of sundry merchants and ship owners in Baltimore, praying that a bounty may be allowed to the owners, officers, and crews, of private armed vessels, for the destruction, at sea, of enemy's property.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Naval Establishment.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of the trustees of Green Academy, in the Mississippi Territory, praying that certain public lands in said Territory may be vested in them for the benefit of the said Academy.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands. The Speaker laid before the House the annual report from the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund ; which was read, and referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Thomas Goodrum, and that it be referred to the Secretary of War.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of Jesse Jennett ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Archer, from the same committee, made a report on the petition of John R. Williams ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of John Miller ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition, with the accompanying documents.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Hannah Weed ; which was read, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House to whom was committed the report of the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims on the petition of Mary Cheever.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Sally Richardson ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* her petition.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Edmund Brett ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of John Thruston ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition and accompanying documents.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Captain Harris Hampden Hickman ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Mr. Archer also presented a report on the petition of Joseph Forrest ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the Committee of Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of sundry inhabitants of Cincinnati, who served in the campaign with General Hull ; and that it be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the bill to make compensation for property captured or destroyed, whilst in the public service, by the enemy of the United States.

The Speaker presented a petition of the Legislature of the Mississippi Territory, praying that further time may be extended to purchasers of public lands to complete their payments.

Ordered, That the said petition do lie on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "to raise five regiments of riflemen," with amendments, in which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of Saturday last.

The question was taken on the motion of Mr. Pickering, to strike out the second section of the bill,

And was determined in the negative, { Yeas 56,
Nays 83.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.

Bayly, of Va.

Bigelow,

Boyd,

Bradbury,

Breckenridge,

Brigham,

Caperton,

Champion,

Cilley,

Cox,

Culpeper,

Davenport,

Davis, of Mass.

Dewey,

Ely,

Geddes,

Goldsborough,

Hale,

Mr. Howell,

Hungerford,

Kent, of N. Y.

King, of Mass.

Lewis,

Lovett,

Macon,

M'Kee,

Montgomery,

Moseley,

Markell,

Nelson,

Oakley,

Pearson,

Pickering,

Pitkin,

Post,

John Reed,

Ridgely,

Mr. Ruggles,

Schureman,

Sherwood,

Smith, of N. Y.

Stanford,

Sturges,

Taggart,

Tallmadge,

Thompson,

Vose,

Ward, of Mass.

Ward, of N. J.

Wheaton,

White,

Wilcox,

Wilson, of Mass.

Winter,

Wood.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,

Alston,

Anderson,

Archer,

Avery,

Bard,

Barnett,

Bowen,}

Brown,

Butler,

Calhoun,

Chappell,

Clark,

Clopton,

Comstock,

Condict,

Conard,

Crawford,

Creighton,

Crouch,

Davis, of Pa.

Denoyelles,

Desha,

Earle,

Eppes,

Evans,

Farrow,

Findley,

Mr. Fisk, of Vt.

Fisk, of N. Y.

Forney,

Forsyth,

Franklin,

Gholson,

Goodwyn,

Gourdin,

Grundy,

Hanson,

Harris,

Hasbrouck,

Hawes,

Hubbard,

Humphreys,

Ingersoll,

Ingham,

Irving,

Irwin,

Jackson, of Va.

Johnson, of Va.

Kennedy,

Kent, of Maryland,

Kerr,

Kershaw,

King, of N. C.

Lefferts,

Lyle,

Mr. M'Coy,

M'Kim,

McLean,

Murfree,

Newton,

Ormsby,

Parker,

Pickins,

Piper,

Pleasants,

Rea, of Penn.

Rhea, of Tenn.

Rich,

Roane,

Roberts,

Sevier,

Skinner,

Smith, of Penn.

Smith, of Va.

Strong,

Tannehill,

Taylor,

Telfair,

Troup,

Udree,

Williams,

Yancey.

A motion was then made by Mr. McKim, to strike out from the word "vessel," in the seventeenth line of the second section, to the end of the section.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Vose, to strike out from the word "same," in the twelfth line of the second section, to the end of the section.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradbury, to strike out the word "the," in the eleventh line of the first section; and to strike out, from the same section of the bill, the following words, "other than provisions and military stores which were on board of the same when the masters received notice of the act aforesaid;" and to insert the following words: "*Provided, however, that such part of the cargoes as consists of articles of provisions and naval stores, shall not exceed, in value, six hundred dollars, on board any one ship or vessel, and.*"

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 57,
Nays 77.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are.

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilly,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Geddes,
Goldsborough,
Grosvenor,
Hale.

Mr. Howell,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
John Reed,
William Reed,

Mr. Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Bowen,
Brown,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Davis, of Pa.
Denoyelles,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Fisk, of Vermont,
Fisk, of New York,
Forney,

Mr. Forsyth,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Grundy,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Ingersoll,
Irving,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,*
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Murfree,

Mr. Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Roane,
Roberts,
Sage,
Sevier,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Williams,
Wood.
Yancey.

A motion was made by Mr. John Reed, to strike out, from the word "same," in the fifth line of the second section, to the end of the section.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Pitkin, to strike out, after the word "necessary, in the sixteenth line of the second section, to the end of the section.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 61,
Nays 80.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Geddes,
Goldsborough,
Hale,
Howell,

Mr. Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
McKee,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Ridgely,

Mr. Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood.

Those who voted in the negative are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Brown,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.

Mr. Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lyle,
McCoy,

Mr. McKim,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Potter,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Roane,
Roberts,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Smith, of Penn.
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Williams,
Wilson, of Penn.
Yancey.

A motion was made by Mr. Wood, to add the following to the bill, as a new section:

SEC. —. *And be it further enacted*, That the President of the United States may instruct the collectors of the customs within the State of Massachusetts, under such restrictions and regulations as he may deem proper, to permit coasters, whose cargoes shall consist wholly of firewood, bark, or lumber, to proceed from any port in said State, to another port or place in said State, with such cargo or cargoes, and to return in ballast.

A motion was made by Mr. Grundy, to amend the amendment proposed by Mr. Wood, by striking out the words, "or lumber."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken on the amendment proposed by Mr. Wood,

And was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. King, of North Carolina, to add the following to the bill, as a new section :

SEC. —. *And be it further enacted*, That the President of the United States may instruct the Collector of the port of Wilmington, in North Carolina, to clear out such vessels as may be wholly employed, by Henry B. Howard and Thomas Cowan, in the transportation of the lumber purchased by them, and now lying at the wharves, to such port of the Sound, adjacent, as they may designate, for the erection of salt works, under such restrictions as he may prescribe.

A motion was made by Mr. Wood, to amend the amendment proposed by Mr. King, by adding to the end thereof the following : “and, also, to instruct the Collectors of Massachusetts to grant a like privilege to such vessels as may be employed by the owners of salt works in that State, to import lumber from Maine, to any port in the said State.”

And the question thereon being taken,

It passed in the affirmative.

The question was then taken on Mr. King’s amendment as amended.

And was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Wilson, to insert a new section, as the fifth section, as follows :

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to instruct the collectors aforesaid to clear out all vessels, with their cargoes, from any port, in any State, to another port in the same State : On which,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o’clock.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1814.

Mr. Moseley presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Connecticut, who are non-resident proprietors of lands and houses in Ohio, to the same effect with the petition presented on the 31st ultimo ; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Irving presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of New York, who are non-resident proprietors of lands and houses in Ohio, to the same effect with the petition presented on the 31st ultimo ; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Irving presented a petition of Mary E. Benton, stating that a pension was lately granted to her late husband, Captain Selah Benton, deceased, and that he died in three months after ; and praying that the arrearages of the pension may be granted to her.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Irving also presented a petition of Samuel Eldridge, who states that his son, Joseph E. Eldridge, was a Lieutenant and Adjutant of the thirteenth regiment of infantry, and was killed in action with the enemy ; and praying to be paid the money advanced for the clothing and outfits of his son.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Ward, of New Jersey,

Ordered, That the petition of Johnson Tuttle, presented on the 26th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. White presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Hampshire and Frederick, in the State of Virginia, praying that a post route may be established, from Pughton, by Springfield and Frankfort, to Cumberland, in the State of Maryland.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, That the petition of L. Fagan, presented on the 30th of December, 1811, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. King, of North Carolina, presented a petition of Hanson Kelly, merchant, of Wilmington, in the State of North Carolina, praying permission to transport, by water, a quantity of merchandise, from Wilmington to Beaufort, in said State, in order to enable him to raise money to pay the duties on said merchandise.

The said petition was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill “for the relief of Daniel Boone.” The Senate have postponed, indefinitely, the bill “to authorize the transportation of certain documents free of postage.”

Mr. Oakley, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill for the better organization of the Courts of the United States within the State of New York; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Lowndes, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported the bill from the Senate, "in addition to an act, entitled 'An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States,'" with amendments; which were read, and, together with the bill, committed to a committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The House resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday: Whereupon,

Mr. Wilson modified his motion by inserting the words, "or required," after the word "authorized."

And the question was taken on the said motion of Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, to insert a new section, as the fifth section of the bill,

And was determined in the negative, { Yeas 49,
Nays 74.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Hale,
Hopkins, of N. Y.

Mr. Howell,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
M'Kee,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Post,
Potter,
William Reed,
Ruggles,

Mr. Sheffey,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass'tts.
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Calhoun,
Chapell,
Clark,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Farrow,
Findley,

Mr. Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Johnson of Va.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Lean,

Mr. Murfree,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Roane,
Roberts,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Smith, of Pa.
Smith, of Va.
Tannehill,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. Jersey,
Williams,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wood,
Yancey.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to permit the transportation of lumber, to be applied to the erection of works for the manufacture of salt only, in such cases as he may judge expedient, and in which it shall appear that such lumber was prepared for that purpose previous to the passage of the act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States, passed during the present session: *Provided,* That the party or parties interested, shall, in all cases, enter into bond, with sufficient sureties, in double the value of the ship and cargo, that the lumber thus transported, shall be exclusively applied to the erection of works for the manufacture of salt.

It was determined in the negative.

And the question being taken,

It passed in the negative.

And the question being taken,

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
White,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Irving,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kershaw,
King, of Mass.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickering,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Potter,
Rhea, of Tenn.

Mr. Rich,
Roane,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sage,
Schureman,
Sevier,

Mr. Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Stockton,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Telfair,

Mr. Troup,
Udree,
Webster,
Wheaton,
Williams,
Wilson, of Penn.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

An engrossed bill further to amend the act to regulate pensions to persons on board of private armed ships, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act giving pensions to the orphans and widows of persons slain in the public or private armed vessels of the United States."

An engrossed bill attaching to the Canton district, in the State of Ohio, the tract of land lying between the foot of the Rapids of Miami of Lake Erie and the Connecticut Western Reserve, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act attaching to the Canton district, in the State of Ohio, a tract of land lying between the foot of the Rapids of the Miami of Lake Erie and the Connecticut Western Reserve."

An engrossed bill to compensate Michael Hogan for the occupation of, and damages done to, his house by a detachment of United States' troops, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to compensate Michael Hogan for the occupation of, and damages done to, his house by a detachment of United States' troops;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The amendment of the Senate to the bill "to raise five regiments of riflemen," was read, and, on the question to concur in the amendment,

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 81.
 { Nays 67.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Eppes,

Mr. Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Goldsborough,
Grundy,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Irving,
Jackson, of Vir.
Johnson, of Vir.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of N. C.
Jefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
McCoy,
M'Kim,
Montgomery,

Mr. Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Roan,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Tannehill,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Williams,
Wilson, of Pa.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.

Mr. Bigelow,
Boyd,

Mr. Bradbury,
Breckenridge,

Mr. Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Geddes,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hawes,
Hopkins, of N. Y.
Howell,
Hungerford,
Kent, of N. Y.

Mr. King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
McLean,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Ridgely,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sherwood,

Mr. Shiphernd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood,
Yancey.

The amendment to the title of the said bill was then concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Lyle,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of re-establishing the post road from Washington, in Washington county, in Pennsylvania, to West Alexander, in the same county.

The House proceeded to consider the resolution of Mr. Macon, submitted on the 1st instant, for an adjournment of Congress, and the same being again read: On which,

Mr. Macon modified his resolution, by substituting the 21st, for the 7th of March next, as the day on which it is proposed for the adjournment to take place.

The question was stated to agree to the resolution as modified.

And the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1814.

Mr. Grundy presented a resolution of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee, requesting their representation to use their best endeavors to prevail upon Congress to propose to the several States, for their adoption, an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, so as to reduce the term of service of Senators in Congress from six to four years.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to be committed to a Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. Creighton presented a petition of William Hendricks, praying for a pension, in consideration of disabilities contracted in the present Army of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Newton, from the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures, made a report on the bill from the Senate, "to authorize the President of the United States to permit the departure of Paul Cuffee from the United States, with a vessel and cargo, for Sierra Leone, in Africa, and to return with a cargo;" which was read: When,

A motion was made by Mr. Goldsborough, that the said report and bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House, and that the report be printed.

A division of the question on the said motion was called for;

And being taken on the commitment,

It passed in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Post, to add to the motion to print the report, the words, "and that the memorial of Paul Cuffee be also printed."

And the question thereon being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The said report was then ordered to be printed.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of Oliver Pollock; which was read, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, made a report on the petition of Jonathan Davis and others, owners of the cargo of the Spanish brig Patriota; and, also, the petition of Celestino de Oteyza, on behalf of Joseph Acana, owner of the said brig; which was read: When,

Mr. Eppes, on leave given by the House, reported a bill for the relief of the owners of the cargo of the brig Patriota; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Friday next.

The House resumed the consideration of the unfinished business.

A motion was made by Mr. Taylor, that the said resolution be postponed until the first Monday in March.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, that the said resolution do lie on the table.

And the question being taken,

It was also determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Taylor, that the resolution be postponed until the last Monday of the present month.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, to amend the resolution, by striking out, from the word, "Resolved," to the end of the resolution, and to insert, "that a committee of five members be appointed, on the part of this House, jointly, with a committee on the part of the Senate, to ascertain when the two Houses can be adjourned, without detriment to the public service."

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative.

The question was then taken to agree to the resolution as amended,

And passed in the affirmative.

Mr. Macon, Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Sherwood, and Mr. Bowen, were appointed the Committee on the part of this House.

Ordered. That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

An engrossed bill to provide for the return, to their own districts, of vessels detained by the embargo, in districts other than those where they are respectively owned or belong, was read the third time;

And, on the question that the same do pass?

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 100,
 { Nays 40.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Bard,
Barnett,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Brown,
Butler,
Caperton,
Caldwell,
Champion,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,

Mr. Crawford,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Eppes,
Evans,
Findley,
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Goldsborough,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Grundy,
Hale,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hopkins, of N. Y.
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,

Mr. Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Irwin,
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of Mass.
Lefferts,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,
Montgomery,
Murfree,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,

Mr. Piper,
Pleasants,
John Reed,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ridgley,
Roane,
Roberts,
Ruggles,
Sage,
Sevier,

Mr. Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Strong,
Sturges,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Thompson,
Troup,

Mr. Udree,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
White,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Mass.
Wilson, of Pa.
Wood,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Avery,
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradley,
Cilley,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Davis, of Pa.
Denoyelles,
Dewey,
Farrow,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Geddes,

Mr. Grosvenor,
Hanson,
Hawes,
Howell,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lyle,
M'Kee,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Post,

Mr. Potter,
Schureman,
Shipherd,
Smith of N. Y.
Stockton,
Stuart,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Winter.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to provide for the return, to their own districts, of vessels detained, by the embargo, in districts other than those where they are respectively owned or belong," and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ———— dollars; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made some progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the Committee had examined an enrolled bill to raise three regiments of riflemen; also, a bill "for the relief of Daniel Boone;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled: On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Gholson,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Percivall's in Virginia, to Brunswick Court House, Lewisville, and Lombardy Grove, to St. Tammany, and of discontinuing the present route by the three latter places.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. W. Reed, for consideration:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to ascertain, and cause to be laid before this House, a statement of the number of Banks incorporated within the District of Columbia, distinguishing the amount of the actual and authorized capital stock, the amount of specie, and bills or notes of other banks, in their vaults, the amount of debts due, and the amount of notes or bills in circulation by each; also, the number of incorporated Insurance Companies in said District, with the amount and investment of the capital stock of each, and how employed.

The said resolution was read and considered.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1814.

Mr. Baylies presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Norfolk, Plymouth, and Bristol, in Massachusetts, praying that a post route may be established from Boston, by Dorchester, Randolph, and Raynham, to Taunton.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

On motion of Mr. Hopkins, of New York,

Ordered, That the petition of Timothy Hosmer, presented on the 10th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Gourdin presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Darlington District, in South Carolina, praying that a post route may be established from Old Cheraw Court House, by Darlington, the Burnt Saw Mills, Williamsburg, and Murray's Ferry, to Monk's Corner.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Gourdin also presented a petition of Sanders Glovers, praying compensation for his services as principal assessor of the direct tax, laid in the year 1798, for a District in the State of South Carolina.

Mr. Beall presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of that part of the State of Ohio bordering on Lake Erie, praying compensation for supplies furnished detachments of militia in the service of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Lattimore,

Ordered, That the petitions of Robert Cocks, presented on the 28th of November, and 21st of December, 1811, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands; and that the petition of the Legislature of the Mississippi Territory, presented on the 7th instant, be also referred to the same committee.

Mr. Jennings presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the Indiana Territory, praying for pre-emption rights to the lands on which they are settled.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Jennings also presented petitions from sundry inhabitants of the States and Territories West of the Allegheny mountains, to the same effect with the petition of other inhabitants of the said States and Territories, presented on the 6th ultimo.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of Peter Mills, of New York; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Jonathan Woodworth, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported the bill from the Senate, "for the relief of William Stothart and Josiah Starkey," without amendment.

Ordered, That the said bill be read the third time to-day.

The said bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Roberts,

Ordered, That the committee appointed to inquire whether any amendments are necessary to be made to the standing rules and orders of the House, be discharged from the farther consideration of the subject.

The House resumed the consideration of the resolution submitted yesterday by Mr. W. Reed: When,

A motion was made, by Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee, that the said resolution do lie on the table and be printed.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made, by Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee, to strike out from the resolution the following words: "distinguishing the amount of the specie, and bills or notes of other banks, in their vaults; the amount of debts due, and the amount of notes or bills in circulation by each."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The said resolution was then agreed to by the House.

On motion of Mr. Breckenridge,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Fincastle to Callaghan's, in Bath county, Virginia.

On motion of Mr. Clopton,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Hanover Court House to New Kent Court House, so as to pass through Hanover town, in the State of Virginia.

On motion of Mr. Clopton,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of altering the time of holding the District Courts of the United States for the Virginia District; and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Postmaster General, transmitting his reports relative to public contracts, and the salaries of the clerks employed in his office; which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the resolution "authorizing the President to present a sword to the nearest male relation of Midshipman John Clark."

A message, in writing, was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, as follows:

To the House of Representatives of the United States:

I transmit to the House of Representatives a report from the acting Secretary of the Treasury, complying with their resolution of the 30th July, 1813.

JAMES MADISON.

FEBRUARY 10, 1814.

The said message was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill authorizing a loan, for a sum not exceeding — dollars; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made further progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1814.

Mr. Cox presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the District of Little Egg Harbor, in the State of New Jersey, counter to the petition of sundry inhabitants of Great Egg Harbor, in said State.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Pickens,

Ordered, That the petition of James Doyle, presented on the 26th of December, 1811, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Robertson presented a petition of Bartholomew Shaumburgh, praying to be paid moneys advanced by him for the pay of a detachment of United States' troops.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "for the relief of William Stothart and Josiah Starkey," and had found the same to be truly enrolled: On which,

The Speaker signed the said bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. M'Kee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, reported a bill supplementary to an act, entitled "An act for ascertaining the titles and claims to lands in that part of Louisiana, which lies West of the river Mississippi and island of New Orleans;" which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Grosvenor, from the committee appointed on the petition of Henry Malcolm, made a detailed report, which was read: When,

Mr. Grosvenor, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of Henry Malcolm; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Jennings, from the committee appointed on the 5th instant, on the resolution of the Legislative Council of the Indiana Territory, made a report; which was read: When,

Mr. Jennings, by leave of the House, reported a bill to establish the mode of laying off the Territory of Indiana into districts, for the election of members to the Legislative Council; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on Tuesday next.

Mr. Fisk, of New York, from the committee appointed to inquire into the manner of making contracts for supplying the Army, &c., made a report, in part; which was read: Whereupon,

Resolved, That the committee appointed to inquire in what manner contracts for supplying the Army of the United States have been made and executed, and to what extent general officers have interfered in such contracts, prejudicial to the public interest, or the rights of individuals, have power to send for persons and papers.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have concurred in the resolution for the appointment of a Joint Committee to inquire when an adjournment of Congress may take place, without injury to the public service; and Mr. Anderson, Mr. Bibb, of Georgia, and Mr. Turner, are appointed of the committee on the part of the Senate.

The House resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee of Elections on the petition of Burwell Bassett, contesting the election of Thomas M. Bayly.

A motion was made by Mr. Gholson, that the said report do lie on the table.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Gholson, that the said report be postponed until Monday next.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Alston, that the report do lie on the table.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee, that the said report be recommitted to the Committee of Elections.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken to concur with the Committee of Elections in the following resolution:

Resolved, That *Thomas M. Bayly* is entitled to his seat in this House."

And passed in the affirmative.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize the loan of a sum not exceeding ——— dollars; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made farther progress therein, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1814.

Mr. John Reed presented a petition of Seth Russell and Sons, merchants, of New Bedford, in the State of Massachusetts, praying to be repaid the amount of duties on a quantity of fish oil brought into the United States; the said duties having been erroneously exacted by the Collector at Norfolk, in Virginia.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Sherwood presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Delaware county, in the State of New York, praying that a post route may be established from Stamford, by Waterville, to Roseville.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Rea, of Pennsylvania, presented a petition of Ludwig Deitrick, praying compensation for services as a soldier in the Revolutionary Army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. M'Kim presented a petition of Zebulon Whippey, of Baltimore, praying compensation for services rendered as a staff officer in a detachment of Maryland militia in the public service.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Caperton presented a petition of John Dashner, praying to be placed on the pension list, in consideration of a wound received whilst in a corps of Virginia militia, in the service of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, presented a petition of Benjamin Baldwin, praying for a grant of the land to which he conceives himself to be entitled, for services in the Revolutionary Army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Robertson presented a petition of John Castille, of New Orleans, praying to be discharged from prison, where he is confined at the suit of the United States.

Mr. Robertson also presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of New Orleans, in behalf of the above named John Castille.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of William Collins, praying to be confirmed in his right to a tract of land in the Mississippi Territory.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Lattimore also presented a memorial of the House of Representatives of the Mississippi Territory, praying that the right of suffrage may be more extended in said Territory.

The said petition was read, and referred to Mr. Lattimore, Mr. Robertson, and Mr. Baylies.

Mr. Lattimore also presented a resolution of the House of Representatives of the Mississippi Territory, requesting that the number of Councillors for said Territory may be increased.

Ordered, That the said resolution be referred to the committee last appointed.

Mr. Lattimore presented a resolution of the Board of the Trustees of Jefferson College, in the Mississippi Territory, requesting the sanction of Congress to an act of the Legislature of said Territory, respecting escheats.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Hempstead presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the States and Territories West of the Allegheny mountains, to the same effect with the petitions from other inhabitants of the said States and Territories, presented on the 6th ultimo.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Hempstead presented a resolution of the Legislature of the Territory of Missouri, requesting Congress to make some provision for the relief of those persons, in said Territory, who have suffered in their persons and property by the late earthquakes.

Ordered, That the said resolution be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, yesterday, present to the President of the United States, for his approbation, an enrolled bill "to raise three regiments of riflemen;" and an enrolled bill "for the relief of Daniel Boone;" and also, this day, an enrolled bill "for the relief of William Stothart and Josiah Starkey."

Mr. Yancey, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of Samuel Eldridge; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Yancey also made a report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of the village of Peoria; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Yancey also made a report on the petition of Ralph M. Pomeroy; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Troup, from the Committee on Military Affairs, by leave of the House, reported a bill to authorize a detachment from the militia of the United States; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Troup also, by leave of the House, reported a bill to continue in force an act to raise ten additional companies of rangers; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Troup,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw the documents accompanying the petitions of the Legislature of the Indiana Territory, presented on the 3d and 24th ultimo, as also all other documents relating to the claims of two companies of rangers raised in said Territory.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and that, finding themselves without a quorum, he was instructed to report the fact to the House.

And then the House adjourned until Monday morning, eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1814.

Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Machias, in the District of Maine, praying that their proportion of the direct tax of the present year may be remitted.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Law presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Connecticut, who are non-resident proprietors of the lands and houses in Ohio, to the same effect with the petition from Massachusetts presented on the 31st ultimo.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the same committee.

Mr. Kent, of New York, presented a petition of Timothy Burr, Acting Assistant Deputy Quartermaster General at Sackett's Harbor, praying to be credited with the sum of \$7,250, public money, which was taken by robbery from his agent.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. M'Kim presented documents in support of the petition of Zebulon Whippey.

Ordered, That the said documents be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Kilbourn presented a petition of Joel Strawn, praying compensation for a wagon and horse destroyed by the enemy whilst in the public service.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. M'Kee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of James Crawford ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. M'Kee, from the same committee, by leave of the House, reported a bill confirming certain claims to land in the Illinois Territory, and providing for their location ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

An engrossed bill to continue in force an act to raise ten additional companies of rangers, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to continue in force an act to raise ten additional companies of rangers ;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Murfree,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of altering the mail route between Norfolk, in Virginia, and Elizabeth city, in North Carolina, so that the same shall hereafter be carried three times a week.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the report of the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims on the petition of Mary Cheever ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said report under consideration, and directed him to report their agreement to the resolution, amended to read as follows :

Resolved, That the committee be instructed to report a bill granting a pension to the petitioner.

A motion was made by Mr. Ingham, to insert in the resolution the words "or gratuity."

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative.

The question was then taken to concur in the said resolution as amended,

And passed in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims do prepare and report a bill in pursuance to the said resolution.

On motion of Mr. Yancey,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Hillsborough, by Andrew M'Cauley's, by Quinton Anderson's, by M'Cain's Store, to Lenox Castle, in North Carolina.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, on the 10th instant, approve and sign,

“An act to raise three regiments of riflemen;” and

“An act for the relief of Daniel Boone.”

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Coles also delivered in at the Speaker's table a message in writing.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker, The President of the United States did, on the 12th instant, approve and sign “An act for the relief of William Stothard and Josiah Starkey.” The Senate have passed the bill “giving further time to purchasers of public lands to complete their payments.”

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding — dollars ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made farther progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1814.

Mr. Wheaton presented a petition of William Rotch, junior, and sons, merchants, of New Bedford, in the State of Massachusetts, praying to be allowed the demurrage and other expenses occasioned by the detention beyond the stipulated time of their ship, in England ; which was employed to bring home American prisoners of war.

Mr. Geddes presented a petition of Samuel Bronson, praying compensation for a quantity of timber taken from him for the use of the Army.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Lewis presented a petition of the Columbian Manufacturing Company, praying for an act of incorporation.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

Mr. Kilbourn presented a petition of Job Stanberry, of Ohio, praying compensation for a wagon and horses lost in the public service.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Creighton,

Ordered, That the petition of sundry inhabitants of Adams and Scioto counties, in the State of Ohio, and of Lewis county, in Kentucky, praying that a post route may be established from Portsmouth, in Ohio, to Vanceburgh, in Kentucky, presented on the 28th of December, 1812, be referred to the Committee [on the Post Office and Post Roads.

The message received yesterday from the President of the United States, was read, and ordered to lie on the table, and is as follows :

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States :

At the request of the Legislature of Pennsylvania, conveyed through the Governor of that State, I transmit to Congress, copies of its resolutions of the 18th ultimo.

JAMES MADISON.

FEBRUARY 14, 1814.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the Committee on the Judiciary, by leave of the House, reported a bill to alter the time for holding the district courts of the United States for the Virginia district ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

Mr. Taylor, from the committee on that part of the President's message which relates to a revision of the militia system, by leave of the House, reported a bill in addition to the act, entitled “An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute

the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Taylor, from the same committee, who was instructed to inquire what provisions ought to be made for the payment of the militia called out under the authority of any of the State or territorial Governments, made a report ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Taylor, from the same committee, who was instructed to inquire into the expediency of making provision for the relief of the families of non-commissioned officers and privates, in the militia and volunteer corps, who have been slain by the enemy, or have died in service, made a report ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained, was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the committee for revising the militia system be discharged from the further consideration of the said resolution.

On motion of Mr. Troup,

Ordered, That the Committee on Military Affairs be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Daniel Pettibone, and that it be referred to the Secretary of War.

An engrossed bill to establish the mode of laying off the Territory of Indiana into districts, for the election of its members of the Legislative Council, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, “An act to establish the mode of laying off the Territory of Indiana into districts, for the election of its members of the Legislative Council.”

An engrossed bill for the relief of James Crawford was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, “An act for the relief of James Crawford ;” and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The following resolution was submitted for consideration, by Mr. M’Kim :

Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be directed to report to this House some practicable mode of securing, *at stated periods*, an account of the internal resources of the country, in natural products, agriculture, and manufactures, together with such means of improving these resources, and promoting trade and intercourse between the different sections of the country, as in their opinion the public good may require ; and that they have leave to report by bill, or otherwise.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Henry Fanning ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. King, of North Carolina, reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto ; which were again read at the Clerk’s table, and concurred in by the House.

The said bill was further amended, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Ormsby,

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Lands be, and they are, instructed to inquire whether any, and, if any, what, further provision, by law, ought to be made for quieting and adjusting the titles to lands in the Mississippi Territory, and to report by bill, or otherwise.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed a bill “authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built, equipped, and employed, one or more floating batteries for the defence of the waters of the United States ;” also, a resolution “authorizing the transmission of a copy of the public journals and documents printed by order of the Senate and House of Representatives, to each of the Judges of the Supreme and District Courts of the United States ;” and also, a bill “to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia ;” in which bills they desire the concurrence of this House : the Senate have also passed the bill “for the relief of William Piatt.”

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ————— dollars ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and that, finding themselves without a quorum, he was instructed to report the fact to the House.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o’clock.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Gholson have leave of absence for ten days from Monday last.

Mr. Desha presented a petition of Michael Daugherty, praying compensation for services rendered as an officer in the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Desha presented a petition of Robert Ellis, on behalf of the children of the late Captain William Ellis, praying relief in consequence of the loss sustained by them, in the death of their father in the military service of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Desha also presented a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Kentucky, praying that Congress will establish the mode of proceeding in controversies between different States, in order that measures may be taken to ascertain the boundary line between that State and the State of Tennessee.

Ordered, That the said memorial do lie on the table.

Mr. M'Kee presented sundry resolutions of the Legislature of Kentucky, expressive of their attachment to the Administration of the General Government; and of their confidence in the measures adopted for the vigorous and successful prosecution of the war.

The said resolutions were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of James Williams; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ingham also made a report on the petition of William Dent Beall; which was read, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Friday next.

Mr. Yancey, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of James Doyle; which was read: When,

Mr. Yancey, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of James Doyle; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Newton,

Ordered, That the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures be discharged from the consideration of the petition of L. Fagan, and that it be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

The bill from the Senate, "authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built, equipped, and employed, one or more floating batteries for the defence of the waters of the United States," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

The resolution from the Senate, "authorizing the transmission of a copy of the public journals and documents, printed by order of the Senate and House of Representatives, to each of the Judges of the Supreme and District Courts of the United States," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said resolution was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The bill from the Senate, "to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

An engrossed bill for the relief of Henry Fanning was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Henry Fanning," and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "to authorize the President of the United States to retain in service certain volunteer corps," with amendments, in which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Eckenridge reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made farther progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1814,

Mr. Wood presented a petition of Peter Paul Francis Degrand, merchant, of Boston, by John Pitman, his attorney, praying for the remission of the duties exacted of him by the Collector of Boston, on the introduction of a quantity of indigo brought from New Orleans.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Shipherd presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Washington County, in the State of New York, praying that a post route may be established from Fort Ann, by Putnam, Tyconderoga, Crown Point, &c. to Plattsburgh.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Hufty presented a petition of Seth Bowen, praying further compensation for services rendered as an officer in the Revolutionary Army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Lewis presented a petition of the congregation of Trinity Church, in Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, praying to be authorized to raise money by means of a lottery, to be applied to the erection of a Church for said congregation.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

Mr. Hall presented a petition of John Robinson, legal representative of Lewis and Mark Robinson, deceased, praying compensation for the services of the said Lewis and Mark, as soldiers in the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the petitions of A. J. Chevallie, agent for Amelie Eugenie de Beaumarchais, and that the said petitions, together with all papers relating to the claim of the said Beaumarchais, be referred to Mr. Lowndes, Mr. Burwell, Mr. Grundy, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Stockton, Mr. Gaston, and Mr. Oakley.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the committee appointed on the petition of Oliver Evans, by leave of the House reported a bill to extend the time of Oliver Evans' patent for steam engines; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Fisk, of New York, from the committee appointed on the petition of Andrew Sitcher, made a report thereon; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Mr. Lowndes, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported the bill from the Senate "authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built, equipped, and employed, one or more floating batteries for the defence of the waters of the United States."

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The amendments of the Senate to the bill "to authorize the President to retain in service certain volunteer corps" were read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee of the Whole House of the 1st instant, on the report of the Committee of Elections on the petition of John Taliaferro, contesting the election of John P. Hungerford.

And, on the question to concur with the Committee of the Whole House in their *disagreement* to the resolutions contained in the report of the Committee of Elections,

It passed in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Desha,

Ordered, That the resolution of the Legislature of the State of Kentucky, presented yesterday, relating to State controversies, be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "to continue in force an act to raise ten additional companies of Rangers."

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ————dollars; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the commit-

tee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made farther progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until morrow morning eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1814.

Mr. Ward, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Springfield, in Massachusetts, praying that a distributing Post Office may be established in said Springfield.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Wood presented a petition of Joseph White, junior, of Salem, in Massachusetts, praying to be reimbursed the moneys advanced by him to a Lieutenant in the Navy, to recruit sailors for the frigate President.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Sheffey,

Ordered, That the petition of Arthur L. Campbell, presented on the 19th of November, 1812, be referred to the same committee.

Mr. M'Lean presented a petition of Benjamin Smith, of Ohio, praying compensation for the use of his wagon and team, and for two horses lost in the public service.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Jennings,

Resolved, That the Committee of Claims be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the act, entitled "An act for the relief of the officers and soldiers who served in the late campaign on the Wabash," as to make provision, by law, for compensating those individuals whose horses died or were rendered useless in consequence of wounds, received in the battle on the Wabash, or whose property was destroyed in conformity to the orders of the Commander in Chief.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. Richardson for consideration :

Resolved, That the Committee on Naval Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing, by law, for the appointment of Admirals in the Navy of the United States.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The House resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee of Elections on the petition of William Kelly, contesting the election of Thomas K. Harris; and the said report being again read : it was,

On motion of Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, To lie on the table.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined two enrolled bills, entitled

"An act for the relief of William Piatt;" and

"An act giving further time to purchasers of public lands to complete their payments;" as also, "a resolution directing a sword to be presented to the nearest male relation of midshipman John Clarke;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled :

On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills and resolution.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made further progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1814.

Mr. Webster presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Concord, in the State of Massachusetts, praying that heavy duties may be laid on all spirits distilled from domestic materials, in order to prevent the consumption of articles of produce used in their manufacture.

Mr. W. Reed presented a petition of Nathaniel West, of Massachusetts, merchant, praying to be relieved from the penalties incurred by a late importation of goods from Great Britain.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Roberts presented a petition of John G. Cunow, acting in behalf of the directors of the missionary concerns of the Society of United Brethren, commonly called Moravians, praying compensation for depredations committed on the property of the Indians who had incorporated themselves into their society, by the Army commanded by General Harrison, in the action with the enemy at the Moravian towns, in Upper Canada.

The said petition was referred to Mr. Roberts, Mr. Desha, Mr. Vose, Mr. Wheaton, and Mr. Wilson, of Pennsylvania.

Mr. M'Kim presented a petition of Christopher Raborg and Son, and Levi and William Hollingsworth, coppersmiths, in Baltimore, praying that duties may be laid on the importation of copper in sheets, bars, and bottoms.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Lewis presented a petition of the Justices of the Peace in the District of Columbia, praying that the laws providing for the collection of small debts may be revised and amended so as to prevent the numerous frauds committed on creditors.

Mr. Lewis also presented a petition of the President and Directors of the Farmers and Mechanics' Bank of Georgetown, praying for an act of incorporation for said bank.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

On motion of Mr. M'Kee,

Ordered, That the petition of Betsey B. Steele and Robert Bealle, presented on the 29th of November, 1808, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. M'Lean presented a petition of Joseph Hough and James M'Bride, of the State of Ohio, praying to be paid the charges, interest, and damages, to which they have been subjected by the refusal of the Secretary of War to accept bills drawn by the Quartermaster General, in New Orleans, on the War Department.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, by leave of the House, reported a bill declaring the assent of Congress to an act of the General Assembly of Tennessee, therein mentioned; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of James Patton; which was read: When,

Mr. Eppes reported a bill for the relief of James Patton; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

Mr. Taylor, from the same committee, reported a bill to incorporate the stockholders of the National Bank; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Eppes,

Ordered, That the Committee of Ways and Means be discharged from the consideration of the resolutions of the Legislature of Tennessee, presented on the 4th instant, and that they be referred to the Committee of the Whole House to whom is committed the bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to subscribe, on behalf of the United States, for 750 shares of the capital stock of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company; and that the said committee be also discharged from the consideration of the petitions of Stover Perkins, of Daniel Johnston and Otis Little, of Daniel Johnston and of Joseph Perkins and Ebenezer Perkins.

Mr. M'Kee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, reported a bill giving the right of pre-emption in the purchase of lands to certain settlers in the Indiana territory; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

Mr. Troup, from the Committee on Military Affairs, by leave of the House reported a bill to provide for the widows and orphans of officers who shall die in the military service of the United States; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Lowndes, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, by leave of the House reported a bill authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built or purchased

the vessels therein described; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

Mr. Lowndes also made a report on the petitions of the owners of private armed vessels of the cities of New York and Baltimore ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made sundry amendments thereto.

The question was stated from the chair, for the House to consider the report of the Committee of the Whole House : When,

The House adjourned until Monday morning eleven o'clock.

MONDAY. FEBRUARY 21, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Schureman have leave of absence for three weeks from to-morrow.

Mr. Bradbury presented a petition of John Bartlett, of Massachusetts, praying for permission to remove his family and property, by water, from Portland to Eastport, in said State.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. Taylor presented sundry documents relating to a claim for a pension, by Peter Mills, of New York ; which were referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Seybert presented a petition of Joseph Clark, Robert Imlay, and John White, of Philadelphia, merchants, praying to be relieved from the penalties incurred by them in the importation of a quantity of merchandise from the Island of St. Domingo.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the petition of Stephen Porter, presented on the 27th of February, 1792, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. M'Coy,

Ordered, That the petition of Dennis Driscoll, presented on the 21st of October, 1803, be referred to the same committee.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, by leave of the House, reported a bill making appropriations for the support of Government, for the year 1814 ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

Mr. Eppes also reported a bill making appropriations for the support of the Military Establishment, for the year 1814 ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Friday next.

Mr. Eppes also reported a bill making appropriations for the support of the Navy, for the year 1814 ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the Committee of Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Rufus S. Reed and Daniel Dobbins, and that they have leave to withdraw their petition.

On motion of Mr. Bond,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of requiring the Judges in the Illinois Territory, appointed by the authority of the United States, to perform certain judicial duties required of them by the Legislature of said territory, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Sherwood,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from the village of Esperanza, in the town of Schoharie, in the county of Schoharie, and State of New York, through the towns of Schoharie and Middleburgh, to the village of Livingstonville, in the town of Broome, in said county of Schoharie.

On motion of Mr. Goodwyn,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Petersburg, by Fendall Southerlands and Frenchtown, to Morganville, in the county of Nottoway, in the State of Virginia.

On motion of Mr. M'Kim,

The House proceeded to consider the resolution submitted by him on the 15th instant : And,

On motion of Mr. Newton,

The said resolution was amended by striking out the words "Ways and Means," and inserting "Commerce and Manufactures."

The question was taken to agree to the resolution as amended,

And passed in the affirmative.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from Alexander Smyth, enclosing sundry documents relating to the manner in which the war has been conducted, and to his own conduct as a general officer in the Army.

The said letter was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the bill to authorize the issuing of Treasury notes for the year 1814 ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Macon reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto ; which were again read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

A motion was made by Mr. Hall, further to amend the bill by adding thereto the following :

And be it further enacted, That no one note or bill shall be issued for a larger amount than one hundred dollars, nor for less than five dollars ; and in all cases where said notes are held for a longer time than contemplated by this act, the holder or bearer of said note or bills shall be entitled to receive the same rate of interest per annum as allowed by this act.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee of the Whole House, on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars : When,

A motion was made by Mr. Yancey, that the said bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, and made the order of the day for this day :

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 77.
 { Nays 70.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Bradbury,
Brigham,
Burwell,
Caperton,
Calhoun,
Champion,
Clark,
Cox,
Creighton,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Duvall,
Ely,
Eppes,
Findley,
Forsyth,
Geddes,
Glasgow,

Mr. Gourdin,
Grosvenor,
Hasbrouck,
Hopkins, of N. Y.
Howell,
Hungerford,
Irving,
Jackson, of R. I.
Johnson, of Vir.
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Macon,
M'Kee,
McLean,
Miller,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Moseley,
Markell,

Mr. Nelson,
Newton,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pickins,
Pitkin,
Pleasants,
Post,
John Reed,
Ringgold,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sevier,
Sheffey,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Tannehill,
Telfair,
Thompson,
Vose,

Mr. Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,

Mr. White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.

Mr. Winter,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Brown,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Evans,
Farrow,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin,
Gaston,

Mr. Goldsborough,
Goodwyn,
Griffin,
Hale,
Hall,
Hanson,
Hawes,
Hubbard,
Hufty,
Ingham,
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lyle,
McCoy,
M'Kim,
Oakley,
Ormsby,
Parker,

Mr. Piper,
Potter,
William Reed,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Richardson,
Roan,
Roberts,
Schureman,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Vir.
Stuart,
Sturges,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Williams,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright.

The House then resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the said bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Pleasants reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made some progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1814.

Mr. Baylies presented a petition of James Bartlett, of Massachusetts, on behalf of himself and the other owners of the brig Eliza Hailey, praying compensation for the passage home of a number of American seamen from England, and for demurrage occasioned by the detention of said brig in England.

Mr. Ingersoll presented a petition of Jonathan S. Smith, of Philadelphia, merchant, praying to be paid for a quantity of coffee which he was obliged to abandon in Algiers, in Barbary.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Farrow presented a petition of John Robinson, administrator of the estates of Isaac and Lewis Robinson, deceased, praying compensation for the services of the said Isaac and Lewis as soldiers in the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Gourdin,

Ordered, That the petition of Josiah Cantney, of South Carolina, presented on the 25th of March, 1812, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Gourdin,

Ordered, That the petition of Alexander Scott, presented on the 2d of January, 1805, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Hempstead presented sundry resolutions of the Legislature of the Missouri Territory, respecting land titles and settlers on public lands in said Territory.

Ordered, That so much of said resolutions as relates to land titles, be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the final adjustment of land titles in the State of Louisiana and Territory of Missouri; and, that so much as relates to a

donation and pre-emption right to settlers, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Taylor, from the Committee for revising the militia system, made a report on the report of the Secretary of War, on the claims of the several States and Territories, for moneys advanced in calling into the service detachments of militia ; which was read, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting his report in relation to the Banks and Insurance Companies within the District of Columbia, in obedience to a resolution of the 10th instant ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The Speaker also laid before the House another letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting the annual statement of the district tonnage on the 31st December, 1812 ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The Speaker also laid before the House a letter from the Treasurer of the United States, transmitting the annual statement of his accounts ; which was also ordered to lie on the table.

An engrossed bill to authorize the issuing of treasury notes for the service of the year 1814, was read the third time : When,

A motion was made by Mr. Hall, that the said bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken that the said bill do pass,

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 85,
 { Nays 48.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Archer,
Avery,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Culpeper,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,

Mr. Forsyth,
Franklin,
Goldsborough,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Ingham,
Irving,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kilbourn,
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
Montgomery,
Moore,

Mr. Newton,
Ormsby,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Richardson,
Roane,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Williams,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wood,
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,

Mr. Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.

Mr. Dewey,
Ely,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hanson,
Howell,

Mr. Hufty,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,

Mr. Pearson,
Pickering,
Post,
John Reed,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,

Mr. Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to authorize the issuing of Treasury notes for the service of the year 1814;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed a bill "for the relief of John Cahoon and others," in which they ask the concurrence of this House. They have also passed the bill "to establish the mode of laying off the Territory of Indiana into districts for the election of its members of the Legislative Council." And the Senate have rejected the bill "to compensate Michael Hogan for the occupation of, and damages done to, his house, by a detachment of the United States troops:" As also the bill "to satisfy the claim of Mary Wells, executrix of William Wells."

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on Saturday last, present to the President of the United States, for his approbation, an enrolled bill "for the relief of William Piatt;" also, an enrolled bill "giving further time to purchasers of public lands to complete their payments;" and a resolution "directing a sword to be presented to the nearest male relation of Midshipman John Clark."

Mr. Skinner also reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "to authorize the President to receive into service certain volunteer corps;" and an enrolled bill "to continue in force an act to raise ten additional companies of rangers;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled : When,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Pleasants reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made farther progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Hubbard have leave of absence, from this day, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Bradbury presented a petition of Ithamar Eaton, of the State of Vermont, praying to be relieved from the penalties incurred by him in bringing his property from the British Province of Canada subsequent to the declaration of war.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Irving presented a petition of George Walkington, praying to be released from prison in the city of New York, where he is confined at the suit of the United States, for a violation of the act laying an embargo, passed in the year 1808.

The said petition was referred to Mr. Irving, Mr. Cox, and Mr. Creighton.

On motion of Mr. White,

Ordered, That the petition of Michael M'Kewan, presented on the 1st of January, 1812, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Yancey, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of Timothy Burr ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought *not* to be granted.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of Clement Sewall ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Mr. Ingham also made a report on the petition of Timothy Hosmer ; which was read and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought *not* to be granted.

Mr. Ingham also made a report on the petition of Giles Wolcott ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Mr. Ingham also made a report on the petition of Ludwig Deitrick ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition ought *not* to be granted.

The bill from the Senate, "for the relief of John Cahoon and others," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

The following resolution was submitted for consideration by Mr. Goldsborough :

Resolved, That the Standing Rules and Orders of this House be amended so as to admit within the Hall of the House of Representatives, such gentlemen as have heretofore been members of the Cabinet.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Hempstead,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire whether any, and, if any, what, alterations or amendments are necessary to be made to the act, entitled "An act providing for the government of the Territory of Missouri," with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the report of the committee appointed to examine the state of the Clerk's Office ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said report under consideration, and agreed to the resolution therein submitted ; which was again read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be directed to employ an additional assistant clerk in his office.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the final adjustment of land titles in the State of Louisiana and Territory of Missouri ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto ; which were read : and,

On motion of Mr. M'Kee,

Ordered, That the report of the Committee of the Whole House do lie on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "to provide for the return, to their own districts, of vessels detained by the embargo, in districts other than those where they are respectively owned or belong," with amendments ; in which they ask the concurrence of this House.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, on the 19th instant, approve and sign,

"An act giving further time to purchasers of public lands to complete their payments,"

"An act for the relief of William Piatt ; and

"A resolution directing a sword to be presented to the nearest male relation of Midshipman John Clark."

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made farther progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1814.

Mr. Webster presented a petition of John Salter, jr. complaining of the delay in relation to the trial of the ship *Rose*, in the District Court of the New York District, seized by the revenue officers of the United States, and praying relief.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of John Whitney and Joseph H. Dorr, merchants, of Boston, praying to be relieved from the penalties which they have incurred by an infraction of the act of 1807, laying an embargo.

The petition was referred to Mr. Richardson, Mr. King of North Carolina, and Mr. Baylies.

On motion of Mr. Kent, of Maryland,

Ordered, That the petition of Richard Lyles, presented on the 8th of March, 1796, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Beall presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of that part of Ohio which borders on Lake Erie, praying compensation for supplies furnished the Northwestern Army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Creighton presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Ohio, praying that a post route may be established from Big Marsh, by Faulkner's Mill, Blagg's Tavern, and Wood's Mill, to Gallipolis.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Hempstead presented a resolution of the Legislature of the Territory of Missouri, requesting that a law may be passed authorizing the said Legislature to fix the Seat of Government of said Territory.

Ordered, That the said resolution be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of William Henry Savage; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Taylor, from the Committee for revising the Militia System, made a report on the memorial of the Legislature of the Indiana Territory, referred on the 29th of December last; which was read, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

The amendments of the Senate to the bill "to provide for the return, to their own districts, of vessels detained by the embargo, in districts other than those where they are respectively owned or belong," were read, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

The following resolution was submitted for consideration by Mr. Eppes:

Resolved, That an additional standing committee be established, to be called "A Committee for Public Expenditures."

"It shall be the duty of the said Committee for Public Expenditures, to examine into the state of the several Public Departments, and particularly into the laws making appropriations of moneys, and to report whether the moneys have been disbursed conformably with such laws; and also to report, from time to time, such provisions and arrangements as may be necessary to add to the economy of the Departments and the accountability of their officers."

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Stuart,

Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of explaining or amending the act, passed at the last session of Congress, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors and foreign merchandise," and in relation to the liability of practising physicians to the tax, imposed by the said act, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Wood,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of placing on the pension list of the United States all officers and seamen that have been, or may be, wounded or disabled, in the discharge of their duty on board the revenue cutters in the service of the United States, and that they have leave to report, by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Wood, Mr. Chappell, Mr. Webster, Mr. Ward, of New Jersey, and Mr. M'Kim, were appointed the said committee.

On motion of Mr. Gourdin,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a post route from Barfield's mills, in the State of South Carolina, to Marion Court House, Harleesville, and Marlboro' Court House, to return by Brownsville, Marion Court House, to Barfield's mills, and from thence to Wilmington, in North Carolina.

On motion of Mr. Eppes,

Ordered, That the Committee of Ways and Means be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Joseph Clark, Robert Imlay, and John White, and that they have leave to withdraw their petition.

On motion of Mr. Eppes,

Ordered, That Jane Dauphin have leave to withdraw her petition and documents.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made farther progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1814.

Mr. Hale presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Stafford county, State of New Hampshire, praying that the post route from Portsmouth to Wakefield may be so altered as to pass through Rochester, Farmington, and Middletown, to Wolfborough.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Beall presented a resolution of the Legislature of the State of Ohio, requesting that measures may be taken to secure prompt and reasonable compensation to the citizens of that State for supplies and other property furnished detachments of militia in the public service.

Ordered, That the said resolution be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of John Stafford, of the Mississippi Territory, praying to be confirmed in his right to a tract of land in said Territory.

Mr. Lattimore also presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the Mississippi Territory, praying that measures may be taken to ascertain and adjust their claims to certain tracts of land in said Territory.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. M'Kee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, by leave of the House, reported a bill permitting certain locations of land to be made, and granting donations of land to certain inhabitants of the county of New Madrid, in the Territory of Missouri ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Rhea, from the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, by leave of the House reported a bill to alter and establish certain post routes ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, by leave of the House reported a bill supplementary to an act, entitled "An act for the relief of Thomas Wilson;" which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Goldsborough,

The House proceeded to consider the resolution submitted by him on the 23d instant ; and the same being again read, was modified, and agreed to by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the standing rules and orders of this House be amended so as to admit within the hall of the House of Representatives such gentlemen as have heretofore been Heads of Departments.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the better organization of the Courts of the United States within the State of New York ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. King, of North Carolina, reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made farther progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1814.

Mr. Creighton presented documents in support of the petition of William Hendricks ; which were referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Bond presented a petition of the trustees of the Methodist Society at Shilo, in the Territory of Illinois, praying for a pre-emption right to a piece of land on which they have erected a church.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Hempstead presented a petition of William Tharp, of Baton Rouge, in the State of Louisiana, by Silas Dinsmoor, his attorney, praying that the accounts of certain soldiers, who died in the Army of the United States, and on whose estates he is the administrator, may be speedily settled, and the amount due for their service paid to him ; and that he may be repaid moneys advanced to the district paymaster and military agent, in the Southern country, for public purposes.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Secretary of War.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, by leave of the House, reported a bill to amend the act, entitled "An act laying duties on sales at auction of merchandise and of ships and vessels ;" which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time, on Monday next.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the Committee did, on Thursday last, present to the President of the United States for his approbation, an enrolled bill "to authorize the President to receive into service certain volunteer corps ;" also, an enrolled bill "to continue in force an act to raise ten additional companies of Rangers."

Mr. Yancey, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of Zachariah Roberts ; which was read, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

Mr. Yancey also made a report on the petition of Zebulon Whippey ; which was read, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House last appointed.

Mr. Fisk, of New York, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, reported the agreement of the committee to the amendments of the Senate, to the bill "to provide for the return to their own districts of vessels detained by the embargo in districts other than those where they are respectively owned or belong."

The said amendments were then read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Lowndes, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported the bill from the Senate, "for the relief of John Cahoon and others," without amendment.

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a list of the Clerks employed in the War Office during the year 1813, with the salary allowed to each ; which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

An engrossed bill supplementary to an act, entitled "An act for the relief of Thomas Wilson," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An act for the relief of Thomas Wilson.'"

An engrossed bill for the better organization of the Courts of the United States, within the State of New York, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the better organization of the Courts of the United States within the State of New York ;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Samuel Ellis ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday next.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, on the 24th instant, approve and sign "An

act to authorize the President to receive into service certain volunteer corps;" and "An act to continue in force an act to raise ten additional companies of Rangers."

Mr. Coles also delivered in a message in writing; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table, and is as follows:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States:

It has appeared, that, at the recovery of the Michigan Territory from the temporary possession of the enemy, the inhabitants thereof were left in so destitute and distressed a condition as to require from the public stores certain supplies, essential to their subsistence, which have been prolonged under the same necessity which called for them.

The deplorable situation of the savages, thrown by the same event on the mercy and humanity of the American commander at Detroit, drew from the same source the means of saving them from perishing by famine; and, in other places, the appeals made by the wants and sufferings of that unhappy description of People, have been equally imperious.

The necessity imposed by the conduct of the enemy in relation to the savages, of admitting their co-operation in some instances with our arms, has also involved occasional expense in supplying their wants; and it is possible, that a perseverance of the enemy in their cruel policy, may render a further expense for the like purpose inevitable.

On these subjects an estimate from the Department of War will be laid before Congress, and I recommend a suitable provision for them.

JAMES MADISON.

FEBRUARY 26, 1814.

On motion of Mr. Eppes,

The House proceeded to consider the resolution submitted by him on the 24th inst. for the appointment of an additional standing committee, to be called "A Committee for Public Expenditures;" and the said resolution being again read, it was agreed to by the House: And,

Mr. Pleasants, Mr. Macon, Mr. Findley, Mr. Forsyth, Mr. William Reed, and Mr. Irving, were appointed a committee in pursuance thereof.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made farther progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the the House adjourned until Monday morning eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1814.

Mr. John Reed presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the town of Fishbury, on the Island of Martha's Vineyard, praying that the act laying an embargo may be so modified as to permit them to export fish, oil, salt, wool, and other domestic articles and manufactures, to the States of New York, and Connecticut, and to return with bread stuffs and other articles of family necessity.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. Ingersoll presented two petitions from John Thompson, one for the allowance of interest on his accounts already settled under a late act of Congress, the other for a pension in consideration of disabilities contracted whilst an officer in the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Findley presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, praying that a post route may be established from Donnegal over the Greensburgh and Somerset roads, to Armagh, in said State.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Nelson presented a memorial of sundry inhabitants of the 19th Congressional District in the State of Virginia, remonstrating against the renewal of patent rights of any description, and complaining of the oppressive exercise, on the part of Oliver Evans, of his patent right to certain mill machinery.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of the Whole House to whom is committed the report of the committee on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Baltimore, also complaining against the exercise of the said patent right.

Mr. Gourdin presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of South Carolina, praying the aid and patronage of Congress in opening an inland water communication from the Chesapeake Bay to St. Mary's river, in Georgia.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of the Whole House to whom is committed the bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to subscribe for shares in the capital stock of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company.

Mr. Desha presented a petition of John Campbell, of Kentucky, praying to be allowed the land to which he conceives himself entitled, and for a pension in consideration of services rendered, and disabilities contracted, whilst a sergeant in the present army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Jennings presented petitions from William Fowler and Robert Breeze, respectively praying compensation for services rendered in the campaign on the Wabash river in the year 1811.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Jennings also presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the Indiana Territory, praying for pre-emption rights to lands on which they have settled and made improvements.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the bill to grant the right of pre-emption in the purchase, to certain settlers on public lands in the Indiana Territory.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, by leave of the House reported a bill supplementary to an act, entitled "An act for the relief of the officers and soldiers who served in the late campaign on the Wabash; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Archer made a report on the petition of Jervis Cutler; which was read: When,

Mr. Archer reported a bill for the relief of Jervis Cutler; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Archer also reported a bill for the relief of Edwin T. Satterwhite; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Archer made a report on the petition of Joseph Wescott; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Arthur L. Campbell; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought *not* to be granted.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Bartholomew Shaumburg; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Ebenezer Groodrich; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Jacob Greer; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Mr. Archer also reported a bill to provide for the payment of persons whose property shall be impressed into the service of the United States; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the Committee of Claims be discharged from the consideration of the resolution instructing them to inquire into the expediency of providing, by law, for the payment of individuals whose property was impressed by detachments of militia ordered into public service by any State or Territorial Government, and that it be referred to the Committee for Revising the Militia System.

Mr. Taylor, from the Committee for Revising the Militia System, made a report on the resolution instructing them to inquire into the expediency of making provision for the payment of a detachment of militia of the State of Tennessee, ordered into service by the Governor of that State, to act against the Indians; which report was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That no legislative provision is *now* necessary on the subject of the said resolution.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from Jonathan Roberts, resigning his seat as one of the Representatives from Pennsylvania, having been appointed a Senator from that State.

The said letter was read: And,

On motion of Mr. Ingersoll,

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House address a letter to the Executive of the State of Pennsylvania, communicating information of the resignation of Jonathan Roberts, one of the members returned from that State to serve in this House, in order that measures may be taken to supply the vacancy occasioned thereby in the representation of that State.

Ordered, That Mr. Pitkin be appointed of the Committee of Ways and Means, in the place of Mr. Roberts.

An engrossed bill for the relief of Samuel Ellis was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Samuel Ellis."

An engrossed bill to amend the act, entitled "An act laying duties on sales at auction of merchandise, and of ships and vessels," was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act laying duties on sales at auction of merchandise, and of ships and vessels;'" and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill "to provide for the indemnification of certain claimants of public lands in the Mississippi Territory;" also, a bill "for the better organizing, paying, and supplying the Army of the United States;" in which bills they ask the concurrence of this House.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding _____ dollars; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made farther progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 1814.

Mr. Bard presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Bedford and Huntington, in Pennsylvania, praying that a post route may be established from Bedford to Frankstown.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Kent, of Maryland, presented a petition of Stull and Williams, C. W. Goldsborough, John Hersey, and Robert Ober, of Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, praying permission to ship their flour from New York to New Haven, and from Salisbury to Baltimore.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Murfree presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of North Carolina, praying the aid of Congress in opening an inland water communication from the Chesapeake Bay to St. Mary's river, in Georgia.

The said petition was referred to Mr. Murfree, Mr. Stockton, Mr. Ingersoll, Mr. Calhoun, and Mr. Taylor.

Mr. Macon presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of North Carolina, to the same effect with the above.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the same committee.

Mr. Farrow presented a petition of Wilkes Berry Waters, of South Carolina, praying for a grant of the land to which his father, Philemon Waters, was entitled for services rendered as a soldier in the British army in the year 1754.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Lattimore,

Ordered, That the petition of Elizabeth Collins, presented on the 30th of January, 1812, be referred to the same committee.

Mr. Kent, from the Committee for the District of Columbia, reported the bill from

the Senate "to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia," with amendments; which were twice read, and ordered to be engrossed, and the bill read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. M'Kee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, by leave of the House reported a bill concerning Shawanoe town; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported the resolution from the Senate "authorizing the transmission of a copy of the public journals and documents printed by order of the Senate and House of Representatives, to each of the Judges of the Supreme Court of the United States," with an amendment; which was twice read, and ordered to be engrossed, and the resolution read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the same committee, to whom was referred, on the 24th instant, a resolution of the Legislature of the Missouri Territory, reported the following resolution; which was read, and concurred in by the House, to wit:

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this committee, it is inexpedient to pass any act upon the subject referred to them by this resolution.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the petition of John Salter, jr. reported the following resolution; which was read, and concurred in by the House, to wit:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Mr. Ingersoll also, by leave of the House, reported a bill farther to amend the Judicial System of the United States; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Chappell, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, reported a bill for the relief of Mary Cheever; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of Job Stanberry; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the Committee of Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Mary Fletcher, and that it be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Troup, from the Committee on Military Affairs, by leave of the House reported a bill for the more effectual defence of the Northwestern frontier, by granting donations of land to actual settlers; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

Mr. Desha, from the Committee appointed on the petition of John G. Cunow, made a report thereon; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "to authorize the issuing of Treasury notes for the service of the year 1814."

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto; which were again read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 1814.

Mr. Miller presented a petition of William Patterson, praying for arrearages of the pension heretofore granted to him.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Seybert presented a petition of Edward Hallowell, of the city of Philadelphia, praying for a release from the penalties incurred by him in consequence of a violation of the non-importation act.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Lattimore, from the committee appointed on the 12th ultimo, by leave of the

House reported a bill further to extend the right of suffrage, and to increase the number of members of the Legislative Council in the Mississippi Territory ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The following resolution was submitted for consideration by Mr. Wright :

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of suspending the embargo law during the impending negotiation for peace.

And on the question that the House do now proceed to consider the said resolution,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 65,
Nays 68.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Duvall,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Goldsborough,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hopkins, of N. Y.

Mr. Howell,
Hufty,
Hungerford,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
McKee,
Miller,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Richardson,
Ridgely,

Mr. Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood,
Wright.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Comstock,
Conard,
Creighton,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Earle,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Forney,

Mr. Forsyth,
Franklin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lyle,
McCoy,
McLean,
Moore,
Murfree,

Mr. Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Tannehill,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Williams,
Yancey.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting his annual report in relation to invalid pensioners ; which were read, and referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

The Speaker also laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting the annual statement of the emoluments of the officers of the Customs for the year 1813; which were read, and referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

The bill from the Senate, "for the better organizing, paying, and supplying the Army of the United States," was read the first time; and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Troup,

Ordered, That the bill from the Senate, "providing for the indemnification of certain claimants of public lands on the Mississippi territory," do lie on the table.

An engrossed bill concerning Shawanoe town, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act concerning Shawanoe town."

An engrossed bill for the relief of Edwin T. Satterwhite, late purser to the brig Hornet, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Edwin T. Satterwhite, late purser to the brig Hornet;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

An engrossed bill to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars, was read the third time.

And the question was stated from the chair that the same do pass;

And debate arising thereon,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1814.

On motion of Mr. Ruggles,

Ordered, That the petition of Ebenezer Brown, presented on the 23d of December, 1812, be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Markell presented a petition of Moses Morse, of New York, praying payment for property lost upon the surrender of Detroit to the enemy, and at the time of the destruction of the British brig Detroit, by Capt. Elliott, on Lake Erie.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Irving presented a petition of Harman Hendricks and Solomon J. Isaacs, manufacturers of copper, praying that duties may be laid on sheet copper, bottoms, tops, and other parts of stills, and copper bolts.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Stanford presented a petition of Daniel Pettibone, praying to be employed to erect in the Capitol and other public buildings in the City of Washington, the Columbian fire place, lately invented by him.

Ordered, That the said petition do lie on the table.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, made a report on the petition of John Fitch; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Mr. Eppes laid before the House two letters addressed by the Secretary of War to the Committee of Ways and Means, upon the subject of the number of militia employed in the actual service of the United States during the year 1813, and of the strength of the Army of the United States.

Mr. Kent, from the Committee for the District of Columbia, by leave of the House reported a bill establishing the Bank of the Metropolis; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. M'Kee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, by leave of the House reported a bill for the relief of persons who, by mistake, have made wrong entries on public lands; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the Committee of Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petitions of sundry inhabitants of that part of the State of Ohio which borders on Lake Erie, presented on the 10th and 24th ultimo, and of the resolution of the Legislature of Ohio, presented on the 25th ultimo; and that they be referred to the committee for revising the militia laws.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a re-

Mr. Sage,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Vir.
Strong,

Mr. Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.

Mr. Whitehill,
Williams,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wood,
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Bradley,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Culpeper,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Goldsborough,

Mr. Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hopkins, of N. Y.
Hungerford,
Kent, of N. Y.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Nelson,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Post,
John Reed,

Mr. Ridgely,
Ruggles,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

The said main question was then taken, to wit: Shall the bill pass?

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 97,
 { Nays 55.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chapell,
Clark,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vermont,
Fisk, of N. Y.

Mr. Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,

Mr. Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Robertson,
Sage,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Smith, of Va.
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. Jersey,
Whitehill,
Williams,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wood,
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
 Bayly, of Va.
 Bigelow,
 Boyd,
 Bradbury,
 Breckenridge,
 Brigham,
 Caperton,
 Champion,
 Cilley,
 Culpeper,
 Davenport,
 Davis, of Mass.
 Dewey,
 Ely,
 Gaston,
 Geddes,
 Goldsborough,
 Grosvenor,

Mr. Hale,
 Hopkins, of N. Y.
 Jackson, of R. I.
 Kent, of N. Y.
 King, of Mass.
 Law,
 Lewis,
 Lovett,
 Miller,
 Moffitt,
 Moseley,
 Markell,
 Oakley,
 Pearson,
 Pickering,
 Pitkin,
 Post,
 Potter,
 John Reed,

Mr. William Reed,
 Ruggles,
 Sheffey,
 Sherwood,
 Shipherd,
 Smith, of N. Y.
 Stanford,
 Sturges,
 Taggart,
 Tallmadge,
 Vose,
 Ward, of Mass,
 Wheaton,
 White,
 Wilcox,
 Wilson, of Mass'tts.
 Winter.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding twenty-five millions of dollars;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 1814.

The Speaker presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the District of Columbia, praying that the act laying an embargo may be repealed, or so modified as to permit them to export their produce to the Eastern States.

Ordered, That the said petition do lie on the table.

Mr. Findley presented a petition of Henry Brenneman, of Pennsylvania, praying for a pension in consideration of being wounded whilst a corporal in a company of volunteer cavalry from the State of Pennsylvania, and attached to the Army of General Harrison.

Mr. Findley also presented a petition of John Gilbert, to the same effect with the petition last stated.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Hall presented a petition of Sarah Wheaton, wife and agent of Joseph Wheaton, of the City of Washington, praying that the Accountant of the Navy may be instructed to credit the account of her said husband with a quantity of whiskey furnished for the use of the Navy of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Beall presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of that part of the State of Ohio bordering on Lake Erie, praying compensation for property and supplies furnished detachments of militia in public service.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee for revising the Militia Laws.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a statement of the moneys disbursed from the Treasury for expenses of intercourse with the Barbary Powers for the year 1813, and copies of consular accounts for the years 1811 and 1812; which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The amendments of the Senate to the bill "for the relief of James Crawford," were read, and referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

The resolution from the Senate, authorizing the "transmission of a copy of the public journals and documents, printed by order of the Senate and House of Representatives, to each of the Judges of the Supreme and District Courts of the United States," was read the third time as amended: Whereupon,

Ordered, That the said resolution be committed to the Committee of the Whole House to whom is committed the bill to alter and establish certain post roads.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined four enrolled bills, entitled "An act to establish the mode of laying

off the Territory of Indiana into districts, for the election of its members of the Legislative Council ;”

“ An act to provide for the return to their own districts, of vessels detained by the embargo in districts other than those where they are respectively owned or belong ;”

“ An act to authorize the issuing of Treasury notes for the service of the year 1814 ;”

“ An act giving pensions to the widows and orphans of persons slain in the public or private armed vessels of the United States ;” and had found the same to be truly enrolled : When,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The bill from the Senate, “ to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia,” was read the third time, as amended, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Lowndes,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House to whom are committed the bill from the Senate, in addition to the act, entitled “ An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States ;” and the bill of this House, authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built or purchased the vessels therein described; be discharged from the consideration thereof, and that the said bills be committed to the Committee of the Whole House to whom is committed the bill from the Senate, “ to authorize the President of the United States to cause to be built, equipped, and employed, one or more floating batteries for the defence of the waters of the United States.”

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill making appropriations for the support of the Military Establishment, for the year 1814 ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Macon reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto ; which were again read at the Clerk’s table, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill making appropriations for the support of the Navy of the United States for the year 1814 ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Macon reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto ; which were again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Macon, from the Joint Committee of the two Houses, appointed to ascertain when the two Houses can be adjourned without detriment to the public service, made a report ; which was read and considered : And,

A motion was made by Mr. Taylor, that the said report do lie on the table:

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. M’Kim, that the farther consideration of the said report be postponed until Monday, the 15th of the present month.

And the question being taken,

It was also determined in the negative.

The question was then taken, to agree to the resolution contained in the said report, And passed in the affirmative.

Which resolution is as follows :

Resolved, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives be authorized to close the present session, by adjourning their respective Houses on Monday, the 11th day of April next.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said resolution to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The House then resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate, “ to authorize the President of the United States to cause to be built, equipped, and employed, one or more floating batteries for the defence of the waters of the United States ;” as also, on the bill from the Senate, “ in addition to the act, entitled ‘ An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States ;’” and on the bill of this House, to authorize the President of the United States to cause to be built, or purchased, the vessels therein described ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stanford reported that the committee had had the said bills under consideration, and made no amendment to the first mentioned bill.

And they reported the two last mentioned bills with sundry amendments. The House proceeded to consider the report of the Committee of the Whole House. And the question was taken that the first mentioned bill from the Senate be read the third time.

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas, 82,
Nays, 44.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Archer,
Avery,
Barnett,
Breckenridge,
Brown,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clark,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Evans,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,

Mr. Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grosvenor,
Hall,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson.

Mr. Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Richardson,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wood,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Brigham,
Burwell,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Dewey,
Ely,
Goldsborough,

Mr. Hale,
Hufty,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Moffitt,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,

Mr. William Reed,
Ruggles,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Ordered, That the said bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The amendments reported to the second mentioned bill from the Senate were then again read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House, and were ordered to be engrossed, and the bill read the third time to-morrow.

The amendments reported to the bill of this House were then again read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House, and the bill was ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had presented to the President of the United States, for his approbation, the four enrolled bills, the examination of which was reported this day.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "for the relief of Henry Fanning."

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill authorizing the payment for property captured or destroyed, while in the public service, by the enemy of the United States ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Tallmadge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made some progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

On motion of Mr. King,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House to whom is committed the bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to subscribe, on behalf of the United States, for shares in the capital stock of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company, be discharged from the consideration of the petitions presented by him on the 29th of December, from sundry inhabitants of North Carolina, and that they be referred to the select committee appointed on the 1st instant, on petitions from other inhabitants of that State.

Ordered, That John Dillon have leave to withdraw his petition and documents.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 1814.

On motion of Mr. Stockton,

Ordered, That the petition of Farrington Barcalow, administrator of Mary Rapelye, presented on the 30th of December, 1811, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Archer presented a petition of Walter Finney, of Pennsylvania, praying payment of two final settlement certificates obtained by him for services rendered in the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Wright presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Queen Anne and Talbot counties, in Maryland, praying that a post office may be established at Wye Mill, on the route between Centerville and Easton.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Postmaster General.

On motion of Mr. Caldwell,

Ordered, That so much of the petition of George Reynolds, presented on the 24th of February, 1812, as relates to a claim for lands, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands ; and that such part of the said petition as applies for a pension, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Kent, from the Committee for the District of Columbia, made a report on the petition of the Justices of the Peace in the counties of Washington and Alexandria ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

Mr. Robertson, from the Committee on the Public Lands, by leave of the House reported a bill extending relief to certain purchasers of public lands in the Mississippi Territory ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Robertson also reported a bill to authorize the subdivision of the quarter sections of the lands of the United States ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. M'Kee, from the same committee, reported the agreement of the committee to the amendment of the Senate to the bill "for the relief of James Crawford."

The said amendment was then again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

An engrossed bill to authorize the President of the United States to cause to be built or purchased the vessels therein described was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to authorize the President of the United States to cause to be built or purchased the vessels therein described," and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The bill from the Senate, "to authorize the President of the United States to cause

to be built, equipped, and employed, one or more floating batteries for the defence of the waters of the United States," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The bill from the Senate, "in addition to the act, entitled 'An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States,'" was read the third time as amended.

And the question was stated that the same do pass? When,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Kee, that the bill do lie on the table.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken, Shall the bill pass?

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 83,
 { Nays 55.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Pa.
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,

Mr. Franklin,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,

Mr. Moore,
Nelson,
Newton,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Roane,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Va.
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Whitehill,
Williams,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wood,
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Beall,
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Clark,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Ely,
Geddes,
Goldsborough,

Mr. Hale,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hopkins, of N. Y.
Hufty,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
Lewis,
Lovett,
Miller,
Moseley,
Markell,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Piktin,
Post,
Potter,

Mr. John Reed,
William Reed,
Ridgely,
Ruggles,
Stanford,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

An engrossed bill making appropriations for the support of the Navy of the United States, for the year 1814, was read the third time.

And, on the question that the same do pass?

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 121,
 { Nays 9.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Bayly, of Va.
Beall,
Bigelow,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Caperton,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clark,
Comstock,
Conard,
Cooper,
Cox,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davis, of Pa.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Ver.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Geddes,
Goldsborough
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,

Mr. Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hopkins, of N. Y.
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Irwin,
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Nelson,
Newton,

Mr. Parker,
Pearson,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Post,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
White,
Whitehill,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Wilson, of Pa.
Winter,
Wood,
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Boyd,
Brigham,
Champion.

**Mr. Ely,
Hufty,
Kent, of N. Y.**

Mr. Potter,
Thompson,
Wheaton.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act making appropriations for the support of the Navy of the United States, for the year 1814;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

An engrossed bill making appropriations for the support of the Military Establishment of the United States, for the year 1814, was read the third time.

And, on the question that the same do pass ?

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 82,
Nays 38.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Archer,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clark,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vermont,
Fisk, of N. Y.

Mr. Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hungerford,
Ingham,
Irving,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,

Mr. Moore,
Nelson,
Newton,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Robertson,
Sage,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Williams,
Wood,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Ely,
Geddes,
Goldsborough,

Mr. Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hopkins, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Lewis,
Lovett,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Post,

Mr. John Reed,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Stanford,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Wheaton,
White,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act making appropriations for the support of the Military Establishment of the United States, for the year 1814;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

And then the House adjourned until Monday morning eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, MARCH 7, 1814.

Another member, to wit : from Kentucky, Richard M. Johnson, appeared and took his seat ; the oath to support the Constitution of the United States being first administered to him by the Speaker.

Mr. Fisk, of Vermont, presented a petition of William Barton, praying compensation for expenses incurred and services rendered as a Field officer in the Revolutionary army.

Mr. Irving presented a petition of Thomas Roach, praying for a pension in consideration of wounds received in the Revolutionary war.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Ingersoll,

Ordered, That the petition of Eleanor Brown and others, presented on the 2d of December, 1812, be referred to the same committee.

Mr. Ingersoll presented a petition of Sarah Olmsted, widow of the late Lieutenant Edward Olmsted, of the present army, and who was killed in action with the enemy, praying for a pension.

Mr. Beall presented a petition of William M. Scott, late of Detroit, praying compensation for property destroyed by the British and Indian forces upon the capture by them of Detroit; also, for compensation for services rendered as a Captain in the army lately commanded by General Hull; and, also, for compensation for services rendered as Marshal of the Territory of Michigan.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of Samuel Bronson; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of David Brodie; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of John Thompson, jun. of Louisiana; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of John Gibson; which was read, and referred to the Committee of the whole House on Friday next.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Gregoire Sarpy; which was read, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of John Edwards; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner *cannot* be granted.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Oliver Ormsby; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought *not* to be granted.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Benjamin Smith; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Thompson Maxwell; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Daniel Stewart; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition and accompanying documents.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Thomas Cutts; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought *not* to be granted.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of James Carlon; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the Committee of Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Ebenezer Brown, and that it be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims; and that the Committee of Claims be also discharged from the consideration of the petition of Joel Strawn, and that it be referred to the Committee of the Whole House to whom is committed the bill to make compensation for property captured or destroyed by the enemy, while in the public service of the United States.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petitions of Beatly Barrett and Dennis Driscoll, and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petitions.

On motion of Mr. Rhea,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be discharged from the consideration of the petition of sundry inhabitants of Springfield, in Massachusetts, and that it be referred to the Postmaster General.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the Committee on the Judiciary, by leave of the House, reported a bill prescribing the mode of commencing, prosecuting, and deciding, controversies between two or more States; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Lovett,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,

Mr. William Reed,
Ridgely,
Ruggles,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,

Mr. Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,

Mr. Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Winter.

The residue of the amendments reported by the Committee of the Whole House were then concurred in by the House, and the bill was ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of Whole House on the bill for the relief of Joshua Sands, late Collector of the Customs for the port of New York ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Desha reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resumed the consideration of the amendments reported by the Committee of the Whole House to the bill for the final adjustment of land titles in the State of Louisiana and Territory of Missouri ; and the said amendments being again read, they were amended, on motion of Mr. Hempstead, by striking out the words "two thousand acres," and inserting, after the word "than," the words, "the quantity of acres contained in one league square."

The said amendments were then concurred in by the House, and the bill being further amended at the Clerk's table, it was ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The bill from the Senate, "providing for the indemnification of certain claimants of public lands in the Mississippi Territory," was read the first time.

And the question was stated, that the said bill be read the second time : On which, The House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Archer have leave of absence for ten days, from to-morrow ; and Mr. Davis, of Massachusetts, from to-morrow ; and Mr. Hopkins, of New York, from to-day, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. John Reed presented sundry documents in support of the claim of Seth Russell and Sons, for the return of the duties paid to the Collector of Norfolk, on a quantity of whale oil.

Mr. Ruggles presented a petition of Paul Revere and Son, of Boston, copper manufacturers, praying that duties may be laid on copper imported from foreign countries.

Ordered, That the said petition and documents be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Wilson presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Pittsburgh, Williamsport, Cookstown, and Brownsville, in Pennsylvania, praying that a post route may be established from Pittsburgh to Brownsville aforesaid.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Stewart presented two petitions from the inhabitants of St. Mary's and Charles counties, in the State of Maryland, praying for aid and protection against the invasions and ravages of the enemy.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, with leave to report by bill, or otherwise.

Mr. Creighton presented a petition of Nancy Flin, widow of Hugh Flin, deceased, praying for a pension for herself and children in consequence of the loss of her husband, who was killed in the action with the enemy, whilst a captain of militia in the service of the United States.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of John Minor, senior ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petitions of John Thompson, referred on the 28th ultimo, and that he have leave to withdraw his petitions.

Mr. Fisk, from the Committee of Elections, made the following report ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table :

The Committee of Elections have examined the credentials of the several members claiming seats in this House, in consequence of the resignations which have taken place since the last session, and find that the following members are entitled to their seats in this House, viz :

From New York.

William Irvine, to serve in the place of Egbert Benson.

From Pennsylvania.

Daniel Udree, and Edward Crouch, to serve in the room of John M. Hyneman, and John Gloninger.

From Georgia.

Alfred Cuthbert, to serve in the place of William W. Bibb.

From New Hampshire.

Samuel Smith.

Mr. Kent, from the Committee for the District of Columbia, by leave of the House reported a bill to incorporate the Farmers and Mechanics' Bank of Georgetown, in the District of Columbia ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

Mr. Grundy, from the Select Committee appointed on that part of the message of the President of the United States which relates to the admission of foreign armed vessels into the ports, harbors, and waters, of the United States, by leave of the House reported a bill concerning the use of the ports and harbors of the United States, by foreign vessels of war ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Ingersoll, from a select committee, by leave of the House reported a bill supplementary to an act, entitled "An act regulating the Post Office Establishment ;" which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Saturday next.

Mr. Troup, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a bill from the Senate "for the better organizing, paying, and supplying, the Army of the United States," with sundry amendments ; which were read, and, together with the bill, committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Saturday next.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined several enrolled bills, entitled

"An act authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built, equipped, and employed, one or more floating batteries, for the defence of the waters of the United States ;"

"An act to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia ;"

"An act for the relief of James Crawford ;" and,

"An act for the relief of Henry Fanning ;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled : When,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill from the Senate, "providing for the indemnification of certain claimants of public lands in the Mississippi Territory ;" and the said bill being read the first time,

A motion was made by Mr. Troup, that the bill be rejected.

And after debate thereon,

A motion was made by Mr. Ingersoll, that the bill do lie on the table.

And the question being taken,
 It was determined in the negative.
 The question recurred on rejecting the bill,
 And, after farther debate,
 The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 1814.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill from the Senate, "to provide for the indemnification of certain claimants of public lands in the Mississippi Territory;" and the question depending yesterday at the time of adjournment, was again stated, And being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas, 56,
 { Nays, 92.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

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|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Mr. Alexander, | Mr. Farrow, | Mr. M'Coy, |
| Alston, | Forsyth, | M'Kim, |
| Bard, | Franklin, | M'Lean, |
| Barnett, | Gholson, | Moore, |
| Beall, | Goodwyn, | Nelson, |
| Bowen, | Gourdin, | Newton, |
| Brown, | Griffin, | Ormsby, |
| Burwell, | Grundy, | Piper, |
| Caldwell, | Hall, | Pleasants, |
| Calhoun, | Hawes, | Rea, of Pa. |
| Conard, | Hungerford, | Roane, |
| Crawford, | Ingersoll, | Smith, of Penn. |
| Cuthbert, | Ingham, | Stanford, |
| Davis, of Pa. | Johnson, of Va. | Tannehill, |
| Denoyelles, | Kennedy, | Telfair, |
| Desha, | Kerr, | Troup, |
| Earle, | Lefferts, | Udree, |
| Eppes, | Lyle, | Whitehill. |
| Evans, | Macon, | |

Those who voted in the negative, are,

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| Mr. Baylies, of Mass. | Mr. Geddes, | Mr. Pickering, |
| Bayly, of Va. | Grosvenor, | Pickins, |
| Bigelow, | Hale, | Pitkin, |
| Boyd, | Harris, | Post, |
| Bradbury, | Hufty, | Potter, |
| Bradley, | Irvine, | John Reed, |
| Breckenridge, | Jackson, of R. I. | William Reed, |
| Brigham, | Jackson, of Va. | Rich, |
| Caperton, | Kent, of N. Y. | Richardson, |
| Champion, | Kent, of Md. | Ridgely, |
| Cilly, | Kilbourn, | Robertson, |
| Clark, | King, of Mass. | Ruggles, |
| Comstock, | King, of N. C. | Seybert, |
| Cooper, | Law, | Sherwood, |
| Cox, | Lewis, | Shipherd, |
| Creighton, | Lovett, | Skinner, |
| Culpeper, | Lowndes, | Smith, of N. H. |
| Davenport, | M'Kee, | Smith, of N. Y. |
| Davis, of Mass. | Miller, | Smith, of Va. |
| Dewey, | Moffitt, | Stockton, |
| Ely, | Montgomery, | Stuart, |
| Findley, | Moseley, | Sturges, |
| Fisk, of Vermont, | Murfree, | Taggart, |
| Fisk, of New York, | Markell, | Tallmadge, |
| Forney, | Oakley, | Taylor, |
| Gaston, | Parker, | Thompson, |

**Mr. Winter,
Wood,
Wright,
Yancey.**

Mr. Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Ringgold,
Roane,
Sage,
Seybert,
Smith, of Pa.
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Clark,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hufty,
Irvine,

Mr. Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
M'Kee,
Miller,
Moffit,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Parker,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Rich,

Mr. Richardson,
Ridgely,
Ruggles,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
White,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wright.

The question was then taken to agree to the resolution as amended,

And passed in the affirmative, } Yeas 73.
 } Nays 65.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Caldwell,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Pa.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,

Mr. Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hawes,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of N. C.
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
McLean,
Moore,
Murfree,

Mr. Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Sage,
Seybert,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,

Mr. Champion,
Cilley,
Clark,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,

Mr. Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Dewey,
Ely,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.

Mr. Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hufty,
Irving,
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.
Kent, of N. Y.
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Miller,
Moffitt,

Mr. Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Richardson,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.

Mr. Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
White,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wright.

An engrossed bill making appropriations for the support of Government, for the year 1814, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act making appropriations for the support of Government, for the year 1814.

An engrossed bill for the relief of Joshua Sands, late Collector of the Customs for the port of New York, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Joshua Sands, late Collector of the Customs for the port of New York."

An engrossed bill for the final adjustment of land titles in the State of Louisiana and Territory of Missouri, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the final adjustment of land titles in the State of Louisiana and Territory of Missouri;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have postponed, until the first Monday in December next, the bill "attaching to the Canton district, in the State of Ohio, the tract of land lying between the foot of the Rapids of the Miami of Lake Erie, and the Connecticut Reserve."

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1814.

Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of George Ulmer, colonel of volunteers and commanding the forces of the United States on the Eastern frontier, in behalf of two companies of volunteers raised in the District of Maine, praying that the said companies may be compensated for their services while under his command.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Fisk, of Vermont, presented a petition of Daniel Cook, of Vermont, praying for a pension, in consideration of a wound received whilst in a detachment of militia in actual service.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Wilson, of Pennsylvania, presented a petition of Isaac Smith, of Pennsylvania, praying to be exonerated from the payment of a judgment obtained against him by the United States, as the surety of a Collector of the late direct tax and internal duties.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Creighton presented a petition of Benjamin Daniels, of the State of Ohio, praying for a pension, having been wounded whilst commander of a battalion of militia in actual service.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Hempstead presented a document in support of the petition of John Rice Jones; which was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on the 8th instant, present to the President of the United States, for his approbation, the enrolled bills, the examination of which was reported on Monday last.

Mr. Yancey, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of Zachariah Schoonmaker; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of David Wandell, and that it be referred to the Secretary of War; also, from the consideration of the petitions of John Dashner and John Campbell, and that they have leave to withdraw their petitions.

On motion of Mr. Seybert,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of altering the copper coins of the United States.

Mr. Seybert, Mr. Lovett, and Mr. Wood, were appointed the said committee.

A motion was made by Mr. Fisk, of New York, that the Committee of the Whole House, to whom was committed the bill to incorporate the stockholders of the national bank, be discharged from the further consideration of the same, and that it be referred to a select committee, with instructions to report a bill with provisions for the establishment of a National bank, with branches.

The question thereon being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The House resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee of Elections on the petition of William Kelly, contesting the election of Thomas K. Harris, one of the Representatives from the State of Tennessee; and the resolution therein contained was read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That William Kelly has not supported his petition, and that Thomas K. Harris is entitled to a seat in this House.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Mary Cheever; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill authorizing payment for property captured or destroyed while in the public service, by the enemy of the United States; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Pleasants reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto; which amendments were again read, and concurred in by the House.

The said bill was further amended in the House, and ordered to lie on the table.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Dewey have leave of absence from Monday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Wood presented a petition of B. W. Crowninshield, of Massachusetts, guardian to the children of Jacob Crowninshield, deceased, praying for the renewal of sundry certificates of stock created by the late loan of eleven millions of dollars, and which have been lost or mislaid.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Post presented a petition of sundry fishermen residing in the City of New York, praying that the act laying an embargo may be so modified as to permit them to proceed to their usual fishing grounds.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. Newton, from the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures, by leave of the House reported a bill for the relief of Seth Russell and sons; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-day.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, by leave of the House reported a bill authorizing the Secretary of State, during the continuance of the present war, to make an additional allowance to the owners and masters of vessels for bringing back to the United States destitute and distressed American seamen; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Eppes also reported a bill for the relief of Augustus M'Kinney and Laysel Bancroft; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petitions of Arthur Tappan, John Frothingham, and Ithamar Eaton; which was read. And,

Mr. Eppes reported a bill for the relief of Arthur Tappan, John Frothingham, and Etham Eaton; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the resolution instructing the committee to inquire into the expediency of increasing the compensation allowed by law to the Commissioner of Loans for the State of Maryland; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of Stephen Singleton; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition ought not to be granted.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of P. P. F. Degrand, by John Pitman, junior, his attorney; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition ought *not* to be granted.

On motion of Mr. Eppes,

Ordered, That the Committee of Ways and Means be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Jacob Clement, and that he have leave to withdraw his petition.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Josiah Cantey, and that he have leave to withdraw his petition.

Ordered, That Mr. Troup be excused from serving on the committee to whom was referred the bill from the Senate "providing for the indemnification of certain claimants of Public Lands in the Mississippi territory," and that Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, be appointed on the said committee in his place.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the acting Comptroller of the Treasury, transmitting his report on the petition of Peter Audrain; which were read, and referred to the Committee of Claims.

An engrossed bill for the relief of Mary Cheever was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Mary Cheever;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill declaring the consent of Congress to an act of the State of Tennessee, therein mentioned; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto; which amendments were again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. M'Kee,

Ordered That leave be given to withdraw the certificate of the Register of the Land Office, accompanying the petition of James Crawford.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill providing for certain claims to land in the Illinois Territory, and providing for their location; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto; which amendments were again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Henry Malcolm; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of George Walkington; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Jesse Jennett; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Desha reported that the said bill having been mislaid, the committee had been unable to take the same into consideration, and therefore had directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

On motion of Mr. Ward, of Massachusetts,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be, and they are hereby, directed to inquire into the justice and expediency of increasing the salary of the District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Daniel Macauley and Samuel Ralston; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Moore reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to incorporate a fire insurance company in Georgetown, in the District of Columbia; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Alexander reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made some progress therein, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said bill.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the report of the Committee on the Public Lands, on the petition of Dennis Clark; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said report under consideration, and agreed to the resolution therein contained; which resolution was again read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the the House.

Resolved, That Dennis Clarke is entitled to receive the money, with interest, paid by him into the Receiver's office aforesaid, and that he be permitted to enter one quarter section of land, at two dollars per acre, (to be paid for as other lands of the United States,) in any vacant reserved section or part of a section which has been offered for sale, and not sold in the Cincinnati district.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Public Lands do prepare and report a bill in pursuance of the said resolution.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to alter the time for holding the district Courts of the United States for the Virginia district; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Miller reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Joseph W. Page; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Pleasants reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto; which amendments were again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of the owners of the cargo of the brig *Patriotta*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto; which was again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Seth Russell and sons; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto; which was again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Stephen Girard; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stanford reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 1814.

Mr. Moore presented a petition of the President and Managers of the Columbia turnpike road, in the State of Maryland, praying permission to open and turnpike a road

from Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, to the line of the said District, so as to intersect the Columbia turnpike road.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

Mr. Murfree, from the committee to whom was referred the petitions from sundry inhabitants of the State of North Carolina, by leave of the House reported a bill authorizing the President to cause certain parts of the coast of the United States to be surveyed; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Troup,

Ordered, That the Committee on Military Affairs be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Robert Breeze, and that it be referred to the paymaster of the Army.

On motion of Mr. Yancey,

Ordered, That the report of the Committee of Claims on the petition of Thomas Cutts, made the 7th instant, be referred, together with the petition, to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. M'Kim,

Resolved, That the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures be directed to bring in a bill to revive, and continue in force, an act, entitled "An act to revive, and continue in force, An act declaring the assent of Congress to certain acts of the States of Maryland and Georgia," passed on the 20th of April, 1808.

An engrossed bill declaring the consent of Congress to an act of the State of Tennessee, therein mentioned, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act declaring the consent of Congress to an act of the State of Tennessee, therein mentioned."

An engrossed bill providing for certain claims to land in the Illinois Territory, and providing for their location, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act providing for certain claims to land in the Illinois Territory, and providing for their location."

An engrossed bill for the relief of Henry Malcolm was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Henry Malcolm."

An engrossed bill for the relief of George Walkington was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of George Walkington."

An engrossed bill for the relief of Daniel Macaulay and Samuel Ralston was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Daniel Macaulay and Samuel Ralston."

An engrossed bill to alter the time for holding the district courts of the United States, for the Virginia district, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to alter the time for holding the district courts of the United States, for the Virginia district."

An engrossed bill for the relief of Joseph W. Page was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Joseph W. Page."

An engrossed bill for the relief of the owners of the cargo of the brig Patriotta was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of the owners of the cargo of the brig Patriotta."

An engrossed bill for the relief of Seth Russell and sons, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Seth Russell and sons."

An engrossed bill for the relief of Stephen Girard was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Stephen Girard;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of William Henry Savage; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday next. The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill sup-

plementary to the act, entitled "An act for the relief of the officers and soldiers who served in the late campaign on the Wabash;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto; which was again read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Eppes,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House to whom is committed the bill to define more explicitly the duties of the Judges of the General Court of the Territory of Indiana be discharged from the consideration thereof, and that it be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate "for the better organizing, paying, and supplying, the Army of the United States," and on the amendments proposed thereto by the Committee on Military Affairs; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stanford reported that the committee had had the said bill and amendments under consideration, and disagreed to the first amendment proposed by the Committee on Military Affairs, and had agreed to the residue of the amendments proposed by the said committee, with an amendment to the twenty-second section of the said amendments, and had made sundry other amendments to said bill.

The House proceeded to consider the report of the Committee of the Whole House.

And on the question to concur therein,

It passed in the affirmative.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, of New York, further to amend the said bill by striking out the words "by the War Department," contained in the eighth line of the twelfth section, and to insert these words, "by a board of officers to be designated by the War Department."

And the question thereon being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the amendments be engrossed, and the bill read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the petition of Robert E. Cochran; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said report under consideration, and made some progress therein, and had directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again on the said report.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, of Virginia,

Ordered, That the Committee to whom was referred, on the 18th January last, the message from the President of the United States, transmitting a report of the Secretary of the Treasury, containing a statement of the proceedings under the act to regulate the laying out and making a road from Cumberland, in the State of Maryland, to the State of Ohio, be discharged from the further consideration of the said message.

And then the House adjourned until Monday morning eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, MARCH 14, 1814.

Mr. Wood presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Thomastown, in the State of Massachusetts, praying permission to export their lime coastwise to other towns in the said State.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. Tallmadge presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the State of Connecticut, who are non-resident proprietors of lands and houses in the State of Ohio, praying to the same effect with the petition of other inhabitants of Connecticut, presented on the 6th of January last.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Newton presented a petition of John Thompson, praying payment of the balance of his account for laying brick on the fortifications at Norfolk, in Virginia.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Wood, from a select committee appointed on the 24th ultimo, reported a bill granting pensions to the officers and seamen serving on board the revenue cutters in certain cases; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

An engrossed bill supplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the relief of the officers and soldiers who served in the late campaign on the Wabash," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act for the relief of the officers and soldiers who served in the late campaign on the Wabash.'"

An engrossed bill for the relief of William Henry Savage was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of William Henry Savage;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The bill from the Senate "for the better organizing, paying, and supplying the Army of the United States," was read the third time and passed as amended.

The following resolutions were submitted for consideration by Mr. Gaston :

Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal the "Act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States."

Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal so much as may be in force of the several provisions of an act, entitled "An act to interdict commercial intercourse between the United States and Great Britain and France and their dependencies, and for other purposes."

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill or bills pursuant to the foregoing resolutions.

And on the question that the House do now proceed to consider the said resolutions,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 58,
Nays 86.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.

Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Oilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hungerford,

Mr. Jackson, of R. I.

Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pitkin,
Post,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Richardson,
Ridgely,

Mr. Ruggles,

Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,

Alston,
Anderson,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clark,
Conard,

Mr. Crawford,

Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,

Mr. Forsyth,

Franklin,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Jackson, of Va.

Mr. Johnson, of Va.
Johnson, of Ky.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
McKim,
M'Lane
Moore,

Mr. Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pen.
Rhea of Ten.
Rich,
Roan,
Sevier,
Seybert,

Mr. Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Williams,
Wright,
Yancey.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "making appropriations for the support of the Military Establishment of the United States for the year 1814," with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of this House. The Senate have also passed the bill making appropriations for the support of the Navy of the United States for the year 1814." The President of the United States did, on the 9th instant, approve and sign "An act to authorize the President of the United States to cause to be built, equipped, and employed, one or more floating batteries for the defence of the waters of the United States," and "An act to incorporate a fire insurance company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia."

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to alter and establish certain post roads ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto, which were again read ;

And the question was taken to concur in that part of the amendments which inserted the words "from Pittsylvania c. h. to Danville,"

And was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken to concur in the residue of the amendments reported by the Committee of the Whole House,

And passed in the affirmative.

A motion was made by Mr. Findley further to amend the bill by adding under the head of Pennsylvania, the words from "Indiana, by Kittanning, to Butler."

And the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 1814.

Mr. Piper presented a petition of Benjamin H. Latrobe, on behalf of himself and others, remonstrating against the renewal of the patent right obtained by Oliver Evans, for certain improvements in the construction of steam engines.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the bill to extend the time of Oliver Evans's patent for steam engines.

The Speaker presented a petition of William Simmons, Accountant of the War Department, praying for an increase of his annual compensation.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. McLean presented a petition of Robert McCullaugh, praying for a pension, having been wounded whilst a soldier in the Revolutionary Army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Jennings presented a petition of John Deitz and William Lewis, praying compensation for services rendered as dragoons in the campaign on the Wabash river, in the year 1811.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Paymaster of the Army.

Ordered, That the Committee of Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Sarah Olmsted, and that it be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Ordered, That the Committee on Military Affairs be discharged from the consideration of the petitions of Major James Denny, on behalf of the non-commissioned officers and privates of the first regiment of Ohio volunteers, and of Colonel George Ulmer, on behalf of two companies of volunteers, lately under his command, and that they be referred to the Secretary of War.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, by leave of the House reported a bill concerning invalid pensioners; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Lowndes, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, made a report on the petition of John T. Courtney and Samuel Harrison; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petition of Samuel Harrison and John T. Courtney be referred to the Secretary of the Navy.

Mr. Lowndes, from the same committee, by leave of the House reported a bill concerning the pay of officers, seamen, and marines, in the Navy of the United States; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

Mr. Lowndes, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of J. A. Chevallie, agent for Amelie Eugenie de Beaumarchais, made a report; which was read, and committed to a committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Oakley, from the committee to whom was referred the bill from the Senate "providing for the indemnification of certain claimants of public lands in the Mississippi Territory," made a report; which was read, and, together with the bill, committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, on the 19th instant, approve and sign

"An act for the relief of James Crawford;" and

"An act for the relief of Henry Fanning."

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. William Reed,

The House proceeded to consider the resolution submitted by him on the 17th of January last; and the same being again read, was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire whether any, and, if any, what, means of retrenchment and economy, of reform in the general management, and of extension and efficiency in the Naval Establishment may be practicable and expedient; and that they have power to send for persons and papers.

Mr. William Reed, Mr. Lowndes, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Webster, Mr. Wood, Mr. Seybert, and Mr. Irvine, were appointed the said committee.

The consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday was called for; and,

On motion of Mr. Eppes,

Ordered, That the said unfinished business do lie on the table.

The amendments of the Senate to the bill "making appropriations for the support of the Military Establishment of the United States for the year 1814," were read, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House this day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the said amendments; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said amendments under consideration, and agreed to the same.

The said amendments were then again read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The order of the day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to establish certain post roads, was called for by Mr. McKee.

And the Speaker being in the act of putting the question upon the said call,

Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, called for the consideration of another order of the day; which call by Mr. Jackson was declared by the Speaker to be out of order.

From which decision of the Speaker, Mr. Jackson appealed to the House.

And on the question, Is the decision of the Speaker correct?

It passed in the affirmative.

The House then resumed the consideration of the bill to alter and establish certain post roads.

And the question was taken on the amendment proposed yesterday by Mr. Findley, and depending at the time of adjournment,

And determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Pearson to amend the bill in the second section, under the head of "North Carolina," by inserting "from Pittsborough, by Liberty, to Lexington."

And the question being taken,
It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Hempstead, to amend the bill in the same section, under the head of "Indiana," by inserting *from Vincennes to St. Louis, in the Missouri Territory.*

And the question being taken,
It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Kerr to amend the bill in the same section, under the head of "Virginia," by inserting "*from Halifax c. h. by South Boston, and Snead's tavern, to the Red House in North Carolina.*"

And the question being taken,
It was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have concurred in the amendments proposed by this House to the bill "in addition to the act, entitled 'An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of private armed vessels of the United States,' " with an amendment; in which they ask the concurrence of this House.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the petition of Robert E. Cochran; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had again had the said report under consideration, and agreed to the resolution therein contained, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought *not* to be granted.

The House proceeded to consider the report of the Committee of the Whole House: When,

A motion was made by Mr. Lowndes, that the report of the Committee on the Judiciary, together with the resolution contained therein, be recommitted to the same committee, with instructions to report a bill for the relief of the petitioner, upon a full and fair disclosure and surrender of his estate and effects.

And the question being taken thereon,
It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken to concur with the Committee of the Whole House in their agreement in the resolution proposed by the Committee on the Judiciary,

And passed in the affirmative.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. M'Kee have leave of absence from Monday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Wheaton presented a petition of Josiah Deane, Samuel Crocker, Thomas Bush, and Charles Richmond, coppersmiths, at Taunton, in Massachusetts, praying that duties may be laid on manufactured copper imported from foreign ports.

Mr. Condict presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the collection district of Little Egg Harbor, in the State of New Jersey, praying that no alteration may take place in the size of the said collection district.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Ingersoll presented a petition of Elizabeth Bunner, of Philadelphia, praying compensation for a quantity of blankets furnished by her late husband, Captain Jacob Bunner, deceased, to the company commanded by him in the Revolutionary army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee, presented a letter from Return J. Meigs, Agent of the United States at Highwassee, in the Mississippi Territory, suggesting the propriety of extending the laws of the United States over white persons residing within the Indian boundaries.

Ordered, That the said document be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Beall presented sundry documents in support of the petition of William M. Scott; which were referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. M'Kee, from the Committee on the Public Lands, reported a bill for the relief of Dennis Clarke; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Richardson, from the Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Whitney and Joseph H. Dorr, made a report ; which was read : On which,

Mr. Richardson, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of John Whitney and Joseph H. Dorr ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Saturday next.

An engrossed bill to alter and establish certain post roads was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, “ An act to alter and establish certain post roads ;” and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The amendment of the Senate to the amendment of this House to the bill from the Senate, “ in addition to the act, entitled ‘ An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States,’ ” was read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of James Doyle ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Pleasants reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

On motion of Mr. Yancey,

Ordered, That the said bill do lie on the table.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize the erection of a penitentiary in the District of Columbia, and to provide the necessary funds therefor ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. King, of North Carolina, reported that the committee could not proceed in the consideration of the said bill, for the want of a quorum.

And a quorum having subsequently appeared,

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the said bill ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. King, of North Carolina, again reported that the committee could not proceed in the consideration of the said bill for the want of a quorum.

A motion was then made by Mr. Stanford, that the House do now adjourn.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 20,
Nays 84.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Bigelow,
Caldwell,
Crouch,
Davis, of Mass.
Davis, of Penn.
Gaston,
Jackson, of R. I.

Mr. Macon,
M'Kee,
Markell,
William Reed,
Richardson,
Stanford,
Sturges,

Mr. Taggart,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Winter,
Wright.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Anderson,
Avery,
Bard,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Calhoun,
Clark,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Denoyelles,
Desha,

Mr. Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Hale,
Hall,
Harris,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,

Mr. Irving,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Johnson, of Ky.
Kennedy,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moore,
Newton,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Avery,
Barnett,
Beall,
Breckenridge,
Burwell,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Clark,
Cooper,
Creighton,
Culpeper,
Davis, of Pa.
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Farrow,
Findley,
Forney,

Mr. Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gaston,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hawes,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lewis,
Lyle,
Macon,

Mr. M'Coy,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rhea, of Tenn.
Roane,
Sevier,
Sharp,
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Udree,
Wilson, of Pa.
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Anderson,
Bard,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Bradley,
Brigham,
Brown,
Butler
Chappell,
Comstock,
Condict
Conard,
Cox,
Crawford,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Davenport,
Denoyelles,
Fly,
Eppes,
Evans,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
*Griffin,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hasbrouck,

Mr. Hufty,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
Kershaw,
King, of Mass.
Lefferts,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
M'Kim,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Rea, of Pa.
Rich,
Richardson,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sage,
Seybert,

Mr. Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Penn.
Stockton,
Strong,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Thompson,
Troup,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Whitehill,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood,
Wright.

The question was then taken to concur with the Committee of the Whole House in their agreement to the said resolution:

And passed in the affirmative.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "making appropriations for the support of the Military Establishment of the United States, for the year 1814;" also, an enrolled bill "making appropriations for the support of the Navy of the United States, for the year 1814;" also, an enrolled bill "in addition to the act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled: On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Mr. Boyd,
Bradbury,

Mr. Brigham,
Butler,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Duvall,
Ely,
Farrow,
Geddes,
Hale,
Hufty,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
King, of Mass.

Mr. Law,
Lefferts,
Lovett,
McLean,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Nelson,
Oakley,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Pleasants,
Post,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Rich,
Ruggles,
Sheffy,

Mr. Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. H.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Strong,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Wood.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Anderson,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Brown,
Burwell,
Chappell,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Pa.
Desha,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Findley,
Fisk, of Ver.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Franklin,

Mr. Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irvine,
Johnson, of Va.
Johnson of Ky.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,
Moore,
Murfree,
Newton,

Mr. Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Ten.
Ringgold,
Roane,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Williams,
Wilson, of Penn.
Winter,
Wright,
Yancey.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Richardson have leave of absence from Thursday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled bills, reported that the committee did, yesterday, present to the President of the United States the three enrolled bills, the examination of which was reported on the 17th instant.

Mr Seybert presented a petition of Stephen Girard, of Philadelphia, merchant, stating that his ship *Montesquieu* and cargo, being captured on the passage from the East Indies, by the enemy, he, by permission of the Government, effected her ransom and brought her into the port of Philadelphia, and praying that a part of the duties paid on said cargo may be refunded to him, in consequence of the benefit which accrued to the Government by said ransom.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Denoyelles,
Ely,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Gaston,
Gourdin,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,

Mr. Irvine,
 Jackson, of R. I.
 Kennedy,
 Kershaw,
 King, of Mass.
 Law,
 Lefferts,
 Lovett,
 M'Kee,
 M'Kim,
 M'Lean,
 Miller,
 Montgomery,
 Mosely,
 Markell,
 Newton,
 Ormsby,
 Parker,

Mr. Pearson,
 Pitkin,
 Pleasants,
 Post,
 Potter,
 Rich,
 Richardson,
 Ringgold,
 Robertson,
 Ruggles,
 Sage,
 Sevier,
 Sheffey,
 Sherwood,
 Shipherd,
 Skinner,
 Smith, of N. H.
 Smith, of N. Y.

Mr. Stanford,
 Stockton,
 Strong,
 Sturges,
 Taggart,
 Taylor,
 Thompson,
 Vose,
 Ward, of Mass.
 Ward, of N. J.
 Webster,
 Wheaton,
 White,
 Wilcox,
 Williams,
 Winter,
 Wood.

A motion was made by Mr. Wright, that the said bill be postponed until Monday next :

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken that the said bill do pass,

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas ... 84,
 { Nays ... 59.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present;

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Avery,
 Baylies, of Mass.
 Boyd,
 Bradbury,
 Bradley,
 Breckenridge,
 Brigham,
 Caperton,
 Champion,
 Chappell,
 Cilley,
 Comstock,
 Cox,
 Creighton,
 Culpeper,
 Cuthbert,
 Davenport,
 Denoyelles,
 Ely,
 Fisk, of Ver.
 Fisk, of N. Y.
 Gaston,
 Gourdin,
 Grosvenor,
 Hale,
 Hasbrouck,
 Hawes,
 Howell,

Mr. Ingersoll,
 Irvine,
 Jackson, of R. I.
 Kennedy,
 Kershaw,
 King, of Mass.
 Law,
 Lefferts,
 Lewis,
 Lovett,
 M'Kee,
 M'Kim,
 Miller,
 Moffitt,
 Montgomery,
 Moseley,
 Markell,
 Newton,
 Oakley,
 Pearson,
 Pitkin,
 Pleasants,
 Post,
 Potter,
 John Reed,
 Rich,
 Richardson,
 Ringgold,

Mr. Robertson,
 Ruggles,
 Sage,
 Sheffey,
 Sherwood,
 Shipherd,
 Skinner,
 Smith, of N. H.
 Smith, of N. Y.
 Smith, of Va.
 Stanford,
 Stockton,
 Sturges,
 Taggart,
 Tallmadge,
 Taylor,
 Thompson,
 Vose,
 Ward, of Mass.
 Ward, of N. J.
 Webster,
 Wheaton,
 White,
 Wilcox,
 Williams,
 Wilson, of Mass.
 Winter,
 Wood.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
 Alston,
 Anderson,
 Bard,
 Barnett,
 Beall,

Mr. Bowen,
 Brown,
 Burwell,
 Butler,
 Caldwell,
 Calhoun,

Mr. Condict,
 Conard,
 Crawford,
 Crouch,
 Davis, of Pa.
 Desha,

Mr. Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Forney,
Forsyth,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hungerford,
Ingham,

Mr. Irwin,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Johnson, of Ken.
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
Moore,
Murfree,

Mr. Nelson,
Pickins,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Roane,
Sharp,
Tannehill,
Telfair,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.
And then the House adjourned until Monday morning eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Stockton have leave of absence from Thursday next, and Mr. Williams from Friday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Ely presented a petition of Elijah Meek, praying for a pension, having been wounded whilst a soldier in the Revolutionary Army.

Mr. Irvine presented a petition of Ephraim Hart, of the city of New York, praying payment of a Quartermaster's certificate issued in the Revolutionary war, which was mislaid, and not found till the year 1813.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. M'Kim presented a petition of the owners of sundry private armed vessels, residing in Baltimore, praying that the proceeds of prizes sold under interlocutory decrees of courts, may be deposited in Banks or moneyed institutions, to await the final issue of trial, instead of being deposited with the clerks of courts, who charge an extravagant per centum upon paying over the said proceeds of sale.

Ordered, That the said petition do lie on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "making appropriations for the support of Government, for the year 1814," with an amendment. The Senate have disagreed to the 2d, 5th, 16th, 18th, and 22d of the amendments made by this House to the bill "for the better organizing, paying, and supplying the Army of the United States," and have concurred in the residue of the said amendments with amendments; in all which amendments they ask the concurrence of this House. The Senate have also concurred in the amendments of this House to the bill "for the relief of Isaac Clason."

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "authorizing a loan for a sum not exceeding twenty-five millions of dollars," and had found the same to be truly enrolled: On which, The Speaker signed the said bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate "for the indemnification of certain claimants to lands in the Mississippi Territory;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

A motion was then made by Mr. Hall, to strike out the fifth section of the bill, and to insert the following :

And be it further enacted, That, from and after the passing of this act, the balance of the five hundred thousand dollars, deposited by the original grantees as the consideration for the purchase of said lands, and which has not been withdrawn by the said grantees, their agent or agents, or persons claiming under them, (or expended in the hire of guards over the same,) shall be set over and paid, by the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, to the State of Georgia, in part payment of one million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, stipulated to be paid by the articles of agreement and cession between the United States and the State of Georgia :

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. M'Kim,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Roane,
Sage,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Stanford,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Rich,
Richardson,
Ridgely,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Va.
Stockton,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Taylor,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood,
Wright,
Yancey.

the following proviso:

"*Provided, also,* That certificates thus received in payment, shall be so far considered cash as to be obligatory upon the United States to pay over to the State of

Georgia, a like sum out of the proceeds of the first sales of land, according to the understanding of the deed of cession of the State of Georgia:"

An the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Gaston, to amend the first section of the bill by striking out the following words: "*such release, assignment, transfer and power to take effect on the indemnification of such claimants being made conformably to the provisions of this act*"

And the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 1814.

Mr. Hall presented documents in support of the application of Robert Neil for a pension; which were referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Robertson, from the Committee on the Public Lands, made a report on the petition of George Fisher; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner is *unreasonable*, and ought not to be granted.

Mr. Robertson also made a report on the petition of William Coleman; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner is *unreasonable*, and ought not to be granted.

Mr. Robertson also made a report on the petition of the Trustees of the Methodist Society in Saint Clair county, in the Illinois Territory; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioners is *unreasonable*, and ought not to be granted.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the Committee on the Judiciary, who were instructed to inquire into the justice and expediency of increasing the salary of the Judge of the United States, for the district of Massachusetts, made a report thereon; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That it is *inexpedient* at this time to act in the premises.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petitions of John Gilbert and Henry Brenneman; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitions of John Gilbert and Henry Brenneman be referred to the Committee of the Whole House to whom was referred the bill concerning invalid pensioners.

On motion of Mr. Robertson,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Public Lands be discharged from the petition of George Shannon, and that it be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims; and that the Committee on the Public Lands be, also, discharged from the consideration of the petition of Alfred Eldridge.

The amendment of the Senate to the bill "making appropriations for the support of Government for the year 1814," was read, and concurred in by the House.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, on the 19th instant, approve and sign,

"An act making appropriations for the support of the Military Establishment of the United States for the year 1814;

"An act making appropriations for the support of the Navy of the United States for the year 1814."

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Coles also delivered in a message, in writing.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have postponed, until the next session of Congress, the bill "for the more effectual enforcing of the non-importation laws, by forbidding the courts to deliver to the claimants, pending the trial, merchandise or other articles seized under the same." The President of the United States did, on the 19th instant, approve and sign, "An act in addition to an act, entitled 'An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States.'"

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "making appropriations for the support of Government for the year 1814; also, an enrolled bill "for the relief of Isaac Clason;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled: On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "to alter the time for holding the District Courts of the United States for the Virginia district."

The message from the Senate, informing this House of their disagreement to the 2d, 5th, 16th, 18th, and 22d, of the amendments proposed by this House to the bill "for the better organizing, paying, and supplying, the Army of the United States; and of their agreement to the other amendments to the said bill, with an amendment, was read and considered: Whereupon,

Resolved, That this House doth recede from their 2d, 5th, 18th, and 22d amendments, and insist on their 16th amendment, and that they agree to the amendments proposed by the Senate.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill from the Senate, "for the indemnification of certain claimants of public lands in the Mississippi Territory."

And the question depending yesterday at the time of adjournment, on the motion made by Mr. Gaston to strike out certain words contained in the first section, was taken,

And was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Ingersoll, that the bill be recommitted to a Select Committee, with instructions to report a bill providing that the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Attorney General of the United States, for the time being, be a Board of Commissioners to receive evidence and report to this House on the following particulars, to wit:

1. The precise amount of actual payments made by each and every purchaser and purchasers, without notice of the original fraud, under a grant made by the Legislature of Georgia to certain persons styled the South Carolina Company, the Georgia Company, the Upper Mississippi Company, the Tennessee Company, and the Georgia Mississippi Company, by virtue or color of any act or acts, pretended act or acts of the State of Georgia.

2. The names, ages, and titles, whether original, derivative, in trust, or otherwise, of all such claimants.

3. The powers and authorities of all such claimants to make settlements with the United States for their said claims: *Provided, always*, That each and every claimant shall accompany his claim with an account, under oath or affirmation, of the amount of the money or other consideration actually paid by him, together with an oath or affirmation, that he, or she, or they, as the case may be, had no notice, knowledge, or information, of the original fraud; the forms of which oaths or affirmations shall be prescribed by the said commissioners.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Forsyth to amend the bill by striking out the two last provisos contained in the 3d section.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Hall, to amend the 4th section of the bill, by inserting, after the word territory, in the fourth line of the said section, the following words: "*After payment of the debt due to the State of Georgia from the United States, by the articles of agreement and cession entered into on the 4th of April, 1802*"

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Whitehill and Mr. Glasgow have leave of absence from next Monday, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Brigham presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of the towns of Sutton, Milbury, Oxford, and Dudley, in the county of Worcester, State of Massachusetts, praying that duties may be laid on scythes and mill-saws imported from foreign countries.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of Mary Fletcher; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought *not* to be granted.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of William Rotch and Sons ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave to *withdraw* their petition.

Mr. Archer also made a report on the petition of Joseph White, junior ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought *not* to be granted.

Mr. Robertson, from the Committee on the Public Lands, made a report on the petition of Louis Mallet and Pierre Queret ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave to *withdraw* their petition.

Mr. Robertson also made a report on the petition of George Reynolds ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner is *unreasonable*, and ought *not* to be granted.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "to amend the act, entitled "An act laying duties on sales at auction of merchandise, and of ships and vessels." The Senate *insist* on their disagreement to the 16th amendment, proposed by this House to the bill "for the better organizing, paying, and supplying, the Army of the United States ;" and ask a conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the said 16th amendment, and have appointed managers at the said conference on their part.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill from the Senate, "for the indemnification of certain claimants to public lands in the Mississippi Territory ;" and the question depending yesterday, on the amendment proposed by Mr. Hall, was stated : When,

A motion was made by Mr. Troup, that the bill be postponed indefinitely : On which,

A motion was made by Mr. Stanford, that the bill be ordered to lie on the table.

And the question thereon being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question then recurred on the motion to postpone the bill indefinitely,

And, after debate thereon,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Evans have leave of absence from Thursday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, yesterday, present to the President of the United States three enrolled bills, entitled

"An act authorizing a loan for a sum not exceeding twenty-five millions of dollars ;"

"An act making appropriations for the support of Government for the year 1814 ;"

"An act for the relief of Isaac Clason."

Mr. Skinner also reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "to amend the act, entitled "An act laying duties on sales at auction of merchandise, and of ships and vessels ;" also, an enrolled bill "to alter the time for holding the District Courts of the United States, for the Virginia district ;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled : When,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Miller presented a memorial of sundry physicians residing in the city of Albany, in the State of New York, requesting that Congress would make known whether it was their intention to require physicians who keep medicines on hand, for making up their own prescriptions, to take out licences as retail dealers in foreign merchandise.

Ordered, That the said memorial be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Wilson presented a memorial of Thomas Gregg, of Pennsylvania, stating that he has invented a new ball proof vessel or floating battery ; and presenting a model for the examination of Congress, and requesting that its efficiency may be tested by experiment.

Ordered, That the said memorial be referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Seybert,

Ordered, That the petition of Joseph P. Mennick and Thomas Shipley, assignees of the estate of William and Anthony M. Buckley, of Philadelphia, presented on the 11th of February, 1812, be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of Eleanor Brown and others; which was read, and the resolution therein contained, was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the claim of the petitioners ought *not* to be granted.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Sarah Olmsted, and that it be referred to the Secretary of War.

The message received on the 22d instant, from the President of the United States, was read, and ordered to lie on the table, and is as follows:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States:

At the request of the Legislature of Pennsylvania, conveyed through the Governor of that State, I transmit to Congress copies of its resolutions of the 10th instant.

JAMES MADISON.

March 22, 1814.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the assistant Postmaster General, transmitting a list of unproductive post roads; which was read, and referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

The Speaker also laid before the House a report of the Secretary of War on the petition of William Tharp; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have postponed, until the 1st Monday in December next, the bill to amend the act, entitled "An act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions."

The House resumed the consideration of the bill from the Senate, "for the indemnification of certain claimants of public lands in the Mississippi Territory;" and the question depending yesterday on the motion of Mr. Troup, to postpone the said bill indefinitely, was again stated:

And being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 72,
 { Nays 83.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Penn'a.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,

Mr. Evans,
Farrow,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hawes,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Johnson, of Va.
Johnson, of Ky.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,

Mr. M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Roane,
Sage,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.

Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Taylor,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wright,
Yancey.

Newton,
Ormsby,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Roane,
Sage,
Sharp,
Smith, of Vir.
Stanford,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Yancey.

Butler,
Champion,

Mr. Cilley,
Clark,
Comstock,
Cooper,
Cox,
Creighton,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Ely,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vermont,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Gourdin,
Grosvenor,
Grundy,
Hale,
Hasbrouck,
Howell,
Hufty,
Irving,
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.

Mr. Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Parker,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Richardson,

Mr. Ridgely,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Seybert,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Sturges,
Taggart,
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Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wright.

A motion was then made by Mr. Alston to amend the bill by striking out the following words, contained in the 14th line of the 1st section, to wit: *a sufficient legal release of all such claim or claims to the United States*, and to insert these words: *"such sufficient release as, in the opinion of the President of the United States, shall release to the United States and discharge all claims to the said lands."*

And the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Wood and Mr. Culpeper have leave of absence, from Monday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, this day, present to the President of the United States the two enrolled bills, the examination of which was reported yesterday.

On motion of Mr. Kilbourn,

Ordered, That the petition of Abner Gage, presented on the 29th of June, 1813, be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "concerning Shawanoe town;" also, the bill "for the relief of Joshua Sands, late collector of the customs for the port of New York."

Mr. Newton, from the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures, reported a bill to revive, and continue in force, "An act declaring the assent of Congress to certain acts of the States of Maryland and Georgia;" which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Newton also made a report on the petition of William Osborn; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Newton also made a report on the petition of James Washburn and John Alexander; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

Mr. Newton also made a report on the petition of Zenon Orso; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Newton also made a report on the petition of Benjamin Dubrocar; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, made a report on the petition of Bowie and Kurts, George Magruder, and others; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave to *withdraw* their petition.

On motion of Mr. Robertson,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Public Lands be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Benjamin Baldwin, and that it be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Nelson, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Jasper Anderson, as also a resolution of the 29th January, directing an inquiry into the justice of making good certain bounties in land, promised during the Revolutionary war by the Commonwealth of Virginia, to her officers and soldiers, seamen and marines, on State establishment, made a report ; which was read, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Taylor, from the Committee for revising the Militia Laws, to whom were referred the petition of David Clendenin, and inhabitants of that part of the State of Ohio bordering on Lake Erie, made a report ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave to *withdraw* their petitions.

On motion of Mr. Lowndes,

Ordered, That the Committee on Naval Affairs be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Thomas Gregg, and that it be referred to the Secretary of the Navy.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill "to authorize two lotteries in Georgetown, District of Columbia;" also, a joint resolution for the appointment of a Joint Committee to inquire into the expediency of establishing permanent rules for regulating and conducting the printing of the two Houses;" in which bill and resolution they ask the concurrence of this House. The Senate have disagreed to the report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses to the sixteenth amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill for the better organizing, paying, and supplying the Army of the United States," and ask a further conference on the subject-matter thereof: and the Senate have appointed managers at the said conference on their part.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, on the 24th instant, approve and sign,

"An act to authorize a loan for a sum not exceeding twenty-five millions of dollars ;"

“An act making appropriations for the support of Government for the year 1814;”

"An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act laying duties on sales at auction of merchandise, and of ships and vessels;'"

"An act to alter the time of holding the District Courts of the United States for the Virginia District."

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill from the Senate "for the indemnification of certain claimants of public lands in the Mississippi Territory; and the question depending yesterday, on the amendment proposed by Mr. Alston, was again stated.

And being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Yancey, to add the following proviso to the end of the 4th section :

“Provided further, That no person or persons making payment for lands in certificates authorized to be issued by this act, shall be entitled to discount for prompt payment now allowed by law to purchasers of public lands.”

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative.

A motion was made by Mr. Barnett, to amend the bill by inserting a new section as the 8th section of the bill, as follows :

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That no original grantee or grantees, their heirs or devisees, or any person or persons concerned in, or privy to, the fraud in the original contract, or any one claiming under them, having notice of the fraud at the time of purchase, shall be entitled to any benefit arising from the provisions of this bill, but all such claims shall accrue to the United States."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 71,
Nays 86.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Forsyth,

Mr. Franklin,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Hawes,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Johnson, of Va.
Johnson, of Ky.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Lefferts,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
McLean,

Mr. Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Ringgold,
Roane,
Sage,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Vir.
Stanford,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Archer,
Avery,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Bradley,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Butler,
Champion,
Cilley,
Clark,
Comstock,
Cooper,
Cox,
Creighton,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Ely,
Findley,
Fisk, of Ver.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Harris,

Mr. Hasbrouck,
Howell,
Hufty,
Irving,
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Parker,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pickens,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,

Mr. John Reed,
William Reed,
Rich,
Richardson,
Ridgely,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sherwood,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Taylor,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood,
Yancey.

A motion was made by Mr. Oakley, to amend the 3d section of the bill, by inserting the following proviso, to come in as the first proviso of that section :

“ Provided, That every person having claim under either of the said companies, and entitled to indemnity by virtue of this act, shall receive such indemnity only in proportion to the amount of such claim.”

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative.

Alter the proviso which commences in the 27th line of the 3d section, so as to read

“ And provided, also.”

A motion was then made by Mr. Oakley, to amend the bill by inserting a new section, to come in between the 7th and 8th sections, as follows :

Sec. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That, whenever the legal estate in any of the said lands (supposing the said act of the Legislature of the State of Georgia, of the 7th of January, 1795, had been valid and effectual) shall be vested in any person or persons who, at the time of the passing of this act, shall be under the age of twenty-one years, it shall be lawful for the guardian or guardians of such person or persons, appointed in pursuance of the laws of the respective States, in which such person or persons shall reside, to execute, for and in behalf of such person or persons, and deposit in the office of the Secretary of State of the United States, the release, assignment, and power, mentioned in the first section of this act ; which said release, assignment, and power, so executed and deposited, as aforesaid, are hereby declared to be good and effectual, to all intents and purposes."

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative.

A motion was made by Mr. Ingham, to amend the 3d section of the bill, by striking out these words : *" out of the first moneys in the Treasury of the United States arising from the sales of public lands in the Mississippi Territory, after the moneys due to the State of Georgia and the expenses of surveying such lands, have been satisfied ;"* and, in lieu thereof, to insert the following : *" in the manner prescribed by the 4th section of this act."*

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Pickens, to amend the bill, by adding to the end of the 8th section, as adopted, the following words :

" That in case of females claiming lands under the act, or pretended act of the State of Georgia, aforesaid, passed the 7th day of January, 1795, it shall be lawful for the husband and wife to join in the execution of the release, assignment, and transfer, mentioned in the first section of this act, and that such release, assignment, and transfer, shall be good and effectual as to the interest of such wife : Provide, That the release, assignment, and transfer, executed as aforesaid, shall be acknowledged before a Judge or Justice of a Court of Record, and shall have the attestation of such Judge or Justice, certifying that, on the separate examination of the wife, she acknowledged that she had freely and voluntarily executed the same."

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Oakley,

The said bill was further amended, by striking out the word *" August,"* in the 1st and 2d sections, and inserting the word *" January."*

A motion was made by Mr. Grundy, to amend the 3d section, by striking out the following words, contained in the 3d and 4th lines : *" or of any of them, as are hereinbefore prescribed,"* and insert the following words : *" to the amount of at least nine-tenths of the whole lands claimed by virtue of the sales made by the Legislature of the State of Georgia, to the respective companies hereafter enumerated."*

A motion was made by Mr. Oakley, to amend the amendment offered by Mr. Grundy, by striking out the word *" nine,"* and inserting *" six."*

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Wright, to amend the amendment proposed by Mr. Grundy, by striking out the word *" nine,"* and inserting *" eight."*

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken to agree to the said amendment,

And passed in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Oakley, to add to the amendment proposed by Mr. Grundy, and last adopted, the following words : *" exclusive of such claims to the said lands as shall have vested in the United States by the operation of law."*

And the question thereon being taken,

It passed in the affirmative.

A motion was made by Mr. Alston, to amend the bill, by inserting, after the word *" who,"* in the 28th line of the 3d section, the following words : *" by themselves, their agents, or partners."*

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Grundy, to add a proviso to the end of the third section, in the following words :

And, provided, also, That no certificate of stock shall issue until at least nine-tenths of the claims derived under the sales made by the State of Georgia (exclusive of such claims to the said lands as shall have vested in the United States by operation of law,) shall have been surrendered and duly released, as required by this act."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Yancey, to amend the bill by striking out from the word "*claims*," in the 3d line of the 8th section of the bill as sent from the Senate, to the end of that section, and inserting the following words: "*within the time and upon the conditions mentioned in this act, they shall be forever thereafter precluded of the benefit of the said compromise.*"

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Gaston, to amend the bill by striking out the said 8th section.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Hall, to amend the bill, by striking out from the words "*use of*," in the 10th line of the 6th section, to the end of that section, and to insert the following words: "*such person or persons as were, at that time, or now are, seized in fee of the title, and shall be, and hereby are, declared to be holden and liable to refund and pay the amount to such person or persons, or their legal representatives. And the commissioners herein named, for the use of the United States, shall deduct the amount of the money so withdrawn, from the sums which may be allowed in the compromise herein contemplated with persons claiming under, and deriving title from, any original grantee or grantees, their associates, or agents, in proportion to the respective sums which have been drawn by, or in the name of such company or companies, or by any person under them, in terms of the aforesaid act of the State of Georgia.*"

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

No other amendment being proposed, the amendments agreed to were ordered to be engrossed, and the bill read a third time to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

SATURDAY MARCH 26, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Skinner have leave of absence from Monday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Webster presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of Portsmouth, in the District of Maine, praying that the act laying an embargo may be so modified, as to permit them to import lime from Thomastown and Camden, in the District of Maine, for the purpose of rebuilding that part of Portsmouth lately destroyed by fire.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to a Select Committee, with instructions to bring in a bill authorizing the President of the United States, during the continuance of the present embargo, to allow the transportation, by water, of lime from Thomastown and Camden, in the District of Maine, to Portsmouth, in New Hampshire, under such regulations and restrictions as he shall prescribe.

Mr. Webster, Mr. Ward, of Massachusetts, Mr. Forsyth, Mr. Wood, and Mr. Kennedy, were appointed the said committee.

Mr. Wood presented petitions of sundry inhabitants of the towns of Cushing, Friendship, St. George, and Thomastown, in the District of Maine, praying that the great Eastern mail from Boston to the Eastern extremity of said District, may be so altered as to pass through said towns.

Ordered, That the said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Ingersoll, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made a report on the petition of the Board of Trustees of Jefferson college, in the Mississippi Territory; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Robertson, from the Committee on the Public Lands, made a report on the resolutions of sundry inhabitants of the Illinois Territory, referred on the 21st of December last; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Robertson also made a report on the petition of Adam Glaze; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Public Lands be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Wilkesberry Waters, and that it be referred to the Committee of Claims.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "declaring the assent of Congress to an act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, therein mentioned," with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of this House ; also, the bill "for the relief of Mary Philip Le Duc ;" and, also, the bill "supplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the relief of Thomas Wilson."

The amendments to the bill first mentioned were read, and, together with the bill, were ordered to lie on the table.

The bill from the Senate "to authorize two lotteries in Georgetown, District of Columbia," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter addressed to him, enclosing the certificate of the election of Joseph H. Hawkins, to serve in this House, as one of the members of the State of Kentucky, in the place of Henry Clay, resigned.

Ordered, That the said certificate be referred to the Committee of Elections.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a supplementary report in relation to invalid pensioners ; which was read, and referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

The House proceeded to consider the message from the Senate, asking a further conference upon the subject-matter of the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the 16th amendment made by this House to the bill "for the better organizing, paying, and supplying, the Army of the United States." When,

Mr. Troup, from the managers appointed on the part of this House, to attend the conference on the said disagreeing votes, made a report ; which was read : Whereupon,

Resolved, That this House do agree to the request of the Senate for a further conference upon the subject-matter of the said 16th amendment, and that Mr. Troup, Mr. Tallmadge, and Mr. Desha, be the managers at the same, on the part of this House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The resolution from the Senate, relative to the printing business of the two Houses of Congress, was twice read, and agreed to by the House, with the following amendment :

After the word "printing," insert the words "and for the supply of stationery."

Ordered, That Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, Mr. Macon, and Mr. Webster, be the committee on the part of this House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have postponed until December next, the bill "authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built, or purchased, the vessels therein described." The President of the United States did, on the 24th instant, approve and sign, "An act for the relief of Isaac Clason." The Senate have passed a bill "for the relief of David Porter, and his officers and crews ;" also, a bill "authorizing the President of the United States to exchange a certain parcel of land in the city of New York, for other lands in the same city, or its vicinity," in which bills they ask the concurrence of this House. The Senate concur in the amendment of this House respecting the printing business of the two Houses of Congress.

The bill from the Senate, "for the indemnification of certain claimants of public lands in the Mississippi Territory," was read the third time as amended, and the question was stated : "Shall the bill pass?" Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. Pickens, to amend the bill, by adding thereto the following words, by way of rider :

"And be it further enacted, That all persons claiming lands under the aforesaid act, or pretended act, of the State of Georgia, passed January the 7th. 1795, shall produce all the evidences of their claims on or before the first day of January next, and deposit the same in the office of the Secretary of State of the United States, for the examination of the commissioners appointed by virtue of this act, and for the purpose of being transcribed in a book to be kept for that purpose. And all persons claiming as aforesaid, who shall fail to produce and deposit the evidences of their claims, as herein required, shall forfeit all such claims to the United States ; and no claim, or evidence of claim, not so produced and deposited on or before the day mentioned in this section, shall ever be admitted in evidence in any court whatever, against any title derived from the United States :

Provided, that nothing contained in this section, shall be construed to give any validity to any of the claims therein mentioned."

The said *rider* was read the first and second time : When,

A motion was made by Mr. Stanford, to refer the same, together with the bill, to a select committee.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Forsyth, that the said bill be postponed until Monday next.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken that the said rider be engrossed for a third reading with the bill.

And was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Pickens, that the said bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Gholson, that the said bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken, "Shall the bill pass?"

And passed in the affirmative,

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| { | Yeas, | 84, |
| | Nays, | 76. |

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Avery,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Bradley,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Butler,
Champion,
Cilley,
Clark,
Comstock,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Mass.
Ely,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Gaston,
Geddes,
Gourdin,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hanson,

Mr. Hasbrouck,
Howell,
Hufty,
Irving,
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.
Kent, of N. Y.
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Miller,
Moffit,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Parker,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,

Mr. Rich,
Richardson,
Ridgely,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Taylor,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood,
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Bard,
Barnett.

**Mr. Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,**

Mr. Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Cuthbert.

Mr. Davis, of Pa.
 Denoyelles,
 Desha,
 Duvall,
 Earle,
 Eppes,
 Evans,
 Farrow,
 Forsyth,
 Franklin,
 Gholson,
 Goodwyn,
 Griffin,
 Grundy,
 Hall,
 Harris,
 Hawes,
 Humphreys,
 Hungerford,
 Ingersoll,

Mr. Ingham,
 Irwin,
 Johnson, of Va.
 Johnson, of Ky.
 Kennedy,
 Kent, of Md.
 Kerr,
 King, of N. C.
 Lefferts,
 Lyle,
 Macon,
 M'Coy,
 M'Kim,
 M'Lean,
 Moore,
 Murfree,
 Nelson,
 Newton,
 Ormsby,

Mr. Pickins,
 Piper,
 Pleasants,
 Rea, of Pa.
 Ringgold,
 Roane,
 Sage,
 Seybert,
 Sharp,
 Smith, of Pa.
 Smith, of Va.
 Stanford,
 Strong,
 Tannehill,
 Telfair,
 Troup,
 Udree,
 Whitehill,
 Wilson, of Pa.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Troup, from the conferees on the part of this House, appointed, this day, to attend a further conference with the conferees on the part of the Senate, on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the bill "for the better organizing, paying, and supplying the Army of the United States," made a report; which was read, and adopted by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have concurred in the report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the bill "for the better organizing, paying, and supplying, the Army of the United States."

And then the House adjourned until Monday morning, eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, MARCH 28, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Hufty have leave of absence from Monday next, and Mr. Howell from Thursday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined four enrolled bills, entitled

"An act for the relief of Mary Philip Le Duc;"

"An act concerning Shawanoe town;"

"An act supplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the relief of Thomas Wilson;"

"An act for the relief of Joshua Sands, late Collector of the Customs for the port of New York;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled: On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Bradbury presented a petition of William Malcom and others, owners of the private armed schooner Washington, of Portland, in the District of Maine, praying that the proceeds of two prizes, captured by the said private armed vessel, may be paid to them, the same having reverted to the United States by an omission in them to bring into port a part of the crews of the said prizes.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

M. Howell presented a petition of John B. Williams, praying for a pension, having been wounded whilst a volunteer in the present Army.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Johnson, of Kentucky, presented a petition of Robert Brent, Paymaster to the Army, praying for an additional allowance of money for clerk hire in his office, and for an increase of his own compensation.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the several petitions of James Sawyer, Catharine Robinson, Michael Daugherty,

Michael M'Kewan, Mary E. Benton, Richard Lyles, William Patterson, Ezekiel Gardner, Seth Bowen, John Robinson, Stephen Porter, Robert Beale, Ephraim Hart, Thomas Pridmore, Samuel Tucker, Tarleton Woodson, Elizabeth Bunner, and David Pearce; which was read, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House, and made the order of the day for Friday next.

Mr. Ingham also made a report on the several petitions of John Frazier, Ebenezer Brown, Thomas Roach, William Barton, Daniel Cook, Elijah Meeck, John Haston, Philip Ulmer, John Wilson, James Derrick, John Elliot, Ambrose Lewis, Stephen Al-ling, and Jephtha Brown; which was read, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the bill concerning invalid pensioners.

Mr. Ingham also made a report on the petition of William Hendricks; which was read, and referred to the same Committee of the Whole House.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the petition of George Shannon, and that he have leave to withdraw his petition.

Mr. Webster, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Portsmouth, in New Hampshire, reported a bill to provide, during the continuance of the present embargo, for the transportation of lime, by water, from Thomastown and Camden, in the District of Maine, to Portsmouth, in New Hampshire; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The bill from the Senate, for the relief of David Porter, and his officers, "and his crews," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The bill from the Senate, "authorizing the President of the United States to exchange a certain parcel of land in the city of New York, for other lands in the same city, or its vicinity," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be read the third time to-day.

The said bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Newton,

Ordered, That the report of the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures on the petition of Archibald M'Call be recommitted to the same committee.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have concurred in the amendments made by this House to the bill "providing for the indemnification of certain claimants to public lands in the Mississippi Territory." They have also passed the bill "for the relief of Edwin T. Satterwhite, late purser of the United States' brig Hornet," with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of this House.

The said amendments were read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill "in addition to an act, entitled 'An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes,'" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made several amendments thereto; which he delivered in at the Clerk's table, where they were again read, and the 1st, 2d, 3d, and 4th, of the same, concurred in by the House.

The fifth amendment was disagreed to in the House.

The sixth amendment being amended in the House, to read as follows:

"SEC. *And be it further enacted*, That the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by marching the militia of any State or Territory of the United States to their places of rendezvous, in pursuance of a requisition of the President of the United States, or which shall have been, or may be, incurred, in cases of calls made by the authority of any State or Territory, which shall have been, or may be, approved by him, shall be adjusted and paid in like manner as the expenses incurred after such rendezvous, on the requisition of the President of the United States. *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be considered as authorizing any species of expenditure previous to arriving at the place of rendezvous, which is not provided by existing laws to be paid for after such rendezvous."

The question was taken to agree to the same as amended,

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas, 77,
 { Nays. 36.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Bard,
Beall,
Bowen,
Burwell,
Clark,
Comstock,
Condict,
Cooper,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davenport,
Desha,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Findley,
Franklin,
Gaston,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Grosvenor,
Grundy,
Harris,

Mr. Hawes,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingham,
Irving,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Johnson, of Ky.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kilbourn,
Lefferts,
Lewis,
Lyle,
M'Kim,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Oakley,
Ormsby,
Pearson,
Pickens,
Piper,

Mr. Pitkin,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Robertson,
Sharp,
Sheffey,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of Penn.
Stanford,
Tannehill,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Webster,
White,
Whitehill,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Archer,
Barnett,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bradley,
Brigham,
Brown,
Chappell,
Cox,
Crawford,
Cuthbert,
Denoyelles,
Ely,

Mr. Fisk, of Vermont,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Hall,
Hasbrouck,
Howell,
Hufty,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kershaw,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Law,

Mr. Lowndes,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Parker,
Sherwood,
Skinner,
Strong,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Wright.

The said bill was then further amended in the House, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed a bill "for the relief of Joseph Brevard ;" also, a bill "authorizing the purchase of a library for the use of the Judges of the Supreme Court of the United States;" in which bills they ask the concurrence of this House.

The first mentioned bill was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

The last mentioned bill was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 1814.

Another member, to wit : from Kentucky, Joseph H. Hawkins, appeared and took his seat, in the place of Henry Clay, resigned ; the oath to support the Constitution of the United States being first administered to him by the Speaker.

Ordered, That Mr. Hempstead, and Mr. Denoyelles, have leave of absence from Monday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Kent, from the Committee for the District of Columbia, reported the bill from

the Senate, "to authorize two lotteries in Georgetown, District of Columbia," without amendment.

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, yesterday, present to the President of the United States the enrolled bills, the examination of which was reported yesterday.

Mr. Skinner also reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "authorizing the President of the United States to exchange a certain parcel of land in the city of New York, for other lands in the same city, or its vicinity;" also, an enrolled bill "for the better organizing, paying, and supplying, the Army of the United States," and had found the same to be truly enrolled: On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Newton, from the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures, made a report on the petition of the Governors of the New York hospital; which was read, and the resolution therein contained, was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, required to report to the House of Representatives of the United States of America, at their next session, the annual amount of the fund for the relief of sick and disabled seamen; and also, whether the same ought to be increased, and the mode best calculated, if there exist a necessity for increasing the same, of effectuating the increase of that fund.

Mr. Newton also, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of Archibald M'Call; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Newton,

Ordered, That the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Stull and Williams, and others, and that it be referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations; and that they be also discharged from the consideration of the petition of Thomas Turner, and that it be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a bill authorizing the appointment of agents for paying military pensions; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Eppes made a report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Concord, in New Hampshire; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition ought *not* to be granted.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of Benjamin Wells; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition ought *not* to be granted.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of Jonathan S. Smith; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of Nathaniel West; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Robertson, from the Committee on the Public Lands, made a report on the petition of Jacob Yeder; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Moore, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Owen, made a report; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petitions of Robert Neil, Henry Brenneman, and John Gilbert, and that they be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the bill concerning invalid pensioners.

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw a debenture signed by Joshua Sands, payable to Minturn and Bowne, for ninety-nine dollars and ninety-three cents, which was presented to this House by Mr. Post, on the 22d January last.

An engrossed bill in addition to an act, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes," was read the third time, and the question was stated: Shall the bill pass? On which,

A motion was made by Mr. Wright, that the bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House.

And the question being taken,
It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Gaston, that the bill be ordered to lie on the table.

And the question being taken,
It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken on the motion made by Mr. Brigham,

And was determined in the negative, { Yeas 46,
Nays 89.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Howell,
Hufty,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.

Mr. King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Moore,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed.

Mr. Ruggles,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Burwell,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Cooper,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evan's,
Farrow,

Mr. Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gaston,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Johnson, of Ky.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,
Murfree,
Nelson,

Mr. Newton,
Parker,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Vir.
Stanford,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Winter,
Wright,
Yancey.

A motion was made by Mr. Gaston, that the said bill be re-committed to the Committee for revising the Militia Laws.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken, Shall the bill pass ?

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 88,
 { Nays 53.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clark,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Pa.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,

Mr. Findley,
Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Jackson, of Va.
Johnson, of Va.
Johnson, of Ky.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,
Murfree,
Nelson,

Mr. Newton,
Parker,
Pickins,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Smith of Va.
Stanford,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Howell,

Mr. Hufty,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Moffit,
Moore,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,

Mr. William Reed,
Ruggles,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act in addition to an act, entitled "An act for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "for the relief of Joseph W. Page;" also, the bill for the relief of George Walkington;" also, the bill "for the relief of Samuel Ellis;" without amendment. The Senate have also passed a bill "to revive

and continue in force an act declaring the assent of Congress to certain acts of the States of Maryland and Georgia ;" in which they ask the concurrence of this House.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill concerning the pay of the officers, seamen, and marines, in the Navy of the United States ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Eppes,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of an earlier meeting of Congress than the stated period, with leave to report by bill, or otherwise.

Mr. Eppes, Mr. Fisk, of New York, Mr. Telfair, Mr. Baylies, and Mr. Gaston, were appointed the said committee.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Yancey have leave of absence, from Monday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, yesterday, present to the President of the United States the enrolled bills, the examination of which was reported on the same day.

Mr. Skinner also reported that the committee had examined several enrolled bills, entitled

"An act providing for the indemnification of certain claimants of public lands in the Mississippi Territory ;"

"An act for the relief of George Walkington ;"

"An act for the relief of Samuel Ellis ;"

"An act for the relief of Joseph W. Page ;"

"An act for the relief of Edwin T. Satterwhite, late a purser of the *Hornet* ;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled : When,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Ward, of Mass. presented a petition of sundry distillers of Boston, in Massachusetts, praying that the tax laid upon distillers may be levied upon the quantity of spirit distilled, instead of upon the capacity of the stills.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

The Speaker presented a petition of Thomas Claxton, the door-keeper to the House, praying to be allowed an additional assistant for the purpose of attending to the post office business of the House.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to Mr. Grundy, Mr. Pickens, and Mr. Sherwood.

Mr. Jennings presented a petition of John D. Hay, deputy postmaster at Vincennes, in the Indiana Territory, praying to be exonerated from the payment of a sum of money belonging to the United States, which was lost by the burning of his house.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be discharged from the report of the Assistant Postmaster General, of unproductive post routes.

Ordered, That Michael Hogan have leave to withdraw his petition and documents.

Mr. Newton, from the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures, made a report on the resolution instructing an inquiry to be made into the expediency of establishing a hospital in the Choctaw nation of Indians ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That they be discharged from the further consideration of the above mentioned resolution.

Mr. Ingham, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of Benjamin Baldwin ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought *not* to be granted.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Abner Gage, and that it be referred to the Secretary of War.

Mr. Ingham also reported a bill from the Senate, "for the relief of Joseph Brevard," without amendment.

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The bill from the Senate "to revive and continue in force 'An act declaring the assent of Congress to certain acts of the States of Maryland and Georgia,'" was read the first time; and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House this day.

Mr. Wright submitted the following resolution for consideration:

Resolved, That the Committee on Naval Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of placing the sea-fencibles under the command of the commanders of the flotillas with whom they are intended to co-operate, and to report by bill or otherwise.

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

An engrossed bill authorizing the appointment of agents for paying military pensions was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act authorizing the appointment of agents for paying military pensions."

An engrossed bill concerning the pay of the officers, seamen, and marines, in the Navy of the United States, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered That the title be, "An act concerning the pay of the officers, seamen, and marines, of the Navy of the United States;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill granting to the President and Directors of the New Orleans Navigation Company, and their successors, a lot of ground; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill authorizing the payment for property captured or destroyed while in the public service, by the enemy of the United States; and the question was stated, that the bill be engrossed for a third reading: When,

A motion was made by Mr. Fisk, of New York, that the said bill be postponed indefinitely.

And the question thereon being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Fisk, of New York, that the bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Yancey, to amend the bill by striking out the following words in the third section: "*rented or*," where they occur, and to insert, in the 5th line of the same section, the words "without consent of the owner."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Fisk, of New York, to strike out the third section of the bill.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The bill was then further amended in the House, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "for the relief of the owners of the cargo of the brig *Patriotta*."

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Burwell have leave of absence from to-day, for the remainder of the session.

On motion of Mr. Lovett,

Ordered, That the petition of John R. Williams, presented on the 8th of June, 1813, relative to a tract of land in the Territory of Michigan, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, by leave of the House reported a bill laying duties on spirits distilled within the United States; which was read

the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Newton, from the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, made a report on the petitions from the inhabitants of the districts of Great and Little Egg Harbors, in New Jersey; of inhabitants of Kennebunk, in Massachusetts; and of inhabitants of Bridgeport and Fairfield, in Connecticut; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Fisk, from the Committee of Elections, made the following report; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table:

The Committee of Elections, to whom was referred the credentials of Joseph H. Hawkins, returned as a Representative from the State of Kentucky, to serve in this House in the room of Henry Clay, resigned, have had the same under consideration, and report, that the said Joseph H. Hawkins appears to have been duly elected, and is entitled to a seat in this House.

Mr. Kent, from the Committee for the District of Columbia, by leave of the House reported a bill incorporating the Columbian Manufacturing Company of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the Committee did, yesterday, present to the President of the United States the enrolled bills, the examination of which was reported on the same day.

Mr. Robertson, from the Committee on the Public Lands, made a report on the petition of Robert B. McAfee, John Arnold, and Anthony Crockett; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

Mr. Robertson also made a report on the petition of Abraham Weltz; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the said petition:

On motion of Mr. Robertson,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Public Lands be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Joseph Sapp, and that it be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Robert McCulloch, and that it be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the bill concerning invalid pensioners.

An engrossed bill granting to the President and Directors of the New Orleans Navigation Company, and their successors, a lot of ground, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act granting to the President and Directors of the New Orleans Navigation Company, and their successors, a lot of ground;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

An engrossed bill authorizing the payment for property captured or destroyed while in the public service, by the enemy of the United States, was read the third time:

And the question was stated, "Shall the bill pass?" When,

On motion of Mr. Fisk, of New York, it was

Ordered, That the said bill do lie on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "for the relief of Daniel Macauley and Samuel Ralston," with an amendment. They have also passed the bill "to fix the compensation of the Clerks in the office of the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives;" in which amendment and bill they ask the concurrence of this House.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, on the 28th instant, approve and sign,

"An act for the relief of Mary Philip Le Duc;"

"An act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An act for the relief of Thos. Wilson;'"

"An act for the relief of Joshua Sands, late Collector of the Customs for the port of New York;"

"An act concerning Shawnee Town."

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Coles, also, delivered in the following message in writing:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States :

Taking into view the mutual interests which the United States and the foreign nations in amity with them, have in a liberal commercial intercourse, and the extensive changes favorable thereto which have recently taken place ; taking into view, also, the important advantages which may otherwise result from adapting the state of our commercial laws to the circumstances now existing ; I recommend to the consideration of Congress, the expediency of authorizing, after a convenient day, exportations, specie excepted, from the United States, in vessels of the United States, and in vessels owned and navigated by the subjects of Powers at peace with them ; and a repeal of so much of our laws as prohibits the importation of articles, not the property of enemies, but produced or manufactured only within their dominions.

I recommend, also, a more effectual safeguard and encouragement to our growing manufactures, that the additional duties on imports, which are to expire at the end of one year after a peace with Great Britain, be prolonged to the end of two years after that event ; and that, in favor of our moneyed institutions, the exportation of specie be prohibited throughout the same period.

JAMES MADISON.

March 31, 1814.

The said message was read, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill concerning invalid pensioners ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the Committee had had the said bill under consideration and made several amendments thereto ; which were read, and concurred in by the House.

The bill was then further amended in the House.

A motion was made by Mr. Hall to amend the bill by adding to the first section the following : " John Huston, at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per month, to commence on the first day of January, 1807."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Creighton, to amend the bill by adding to the first section the following : " William Hendricks, the sum of five dollars per month, to commence on the first day of June, 1813."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Lewis, to amend the bill by adding to the first section the following : " William H. Peake, at the rate of eight dollars per month, to commence on the first of January last."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Culpeper, to amend the bill by adding to the first section the following : " John Frazer, at the rate of five dollars month, to commence on the tenth day of October, 1813:" On which,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 1814.

Mr. Eppes announced the death of John Dawson, a member of this House: Whereupon,

On motion of Mr. Macon,

Resolved, unanimously, That a committee be appointed to take order for superintending the funeral of John Dawson, deceased, late a Representative from the State of Virginia.

And Mr. Eppes, Mr. Gholson, Mr. Goodwyn, Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, Mr. Breckenridge, and Mr. Lewis, were appointed the said committee.

Resolved, unanimously, That the members of this House will testify their respect for the memory of John Dawson, late one of their body, by wearing crape on the left arm for one month.

Resolved, unanimously, That the members of this House will attend the funeral of the late John Dawson, this day, at three o'clock.

Resolved, That a message be sent to the Senate, to notify them of the death of John Dawson, late a member of this House, and that his funeral will take place at three o'clock this day.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning eleven o'clock.

Mr. Pickering,
Pitkin,
William Reed,
Rhea, of Tenn.
Ruggles,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stuart,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.

Mr. Webster,
Wheaton,

Mr. White,

Mr. Wilcox.

Those who voted in the negative, are

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Archer,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Clark,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Evans,
Farrow,

Mr. Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Griffin,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hawkins,
Ingham,
Irving,
Johnson, of Vir.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Kim,
Nelson,

Mr. Newton,
Ormsby,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Potter,
Rea, of Penn.
Rich,
Robertson,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Vir.
Stanford,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright,
Yancey.

On motion of Mr. M'Kim,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the consideration of the report of the Committee of Claims on the petition of James Anderson, and that he have leave to withdraw his petition.

On motion of Mr. Troup,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the consideration of the bill to amend "An act to authorize a corps of sea fencibles," and that the said bill be postponed indefinitely.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize a subscription for the laws of the United States, and for the distribution thereof; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Stanford reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto; which were read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

A motion was made by Mr. King, of Massachusetts, to amend the bill by inserting, after the word "representatives," in the second line of the sixth section, the words "who may be elected for the fourteenth Congress."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Shipherd, to amend the bill by inserting, after the word "representatives" aforesaid, the words "of the thirteenth Congress."

And the question thereon being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the renewal of a land warrant to George Shannon; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time on Monday next.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The President of the United States did, on the 31st ultimo, approve and sign,

"An act providing for the indemnification of certain claimants of public lands in the Mississippi Territory;"

"An act for the better organizing, paying, and supplying the Army of the United States;"

"An act authorizing the President of the United States to exchange a certain parcel of land, in the city of New York, for other lands in the same city, or its vicinity."

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, on the 31st ult. approve and sign,

"An act for the relief of Joseph W. Page ;"

"An act for the relief of George Walkington ;"

"An act for the relief of Samuel Ellis ;"

"An act for the relief of Edwin T. Satterwhite, late a purser of the Hornet."

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. Grundy for consideration :

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a National Bank ; and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The House proceeded to consider the said resolution : When,

A question was raised by Mr. Wright, whether the same was in order, as a bill, having apparently the same object, had been referred to a Committee of the Whole House, and had not been acted upon.

The Speaker decided that the resolution was in order.

From which decision of the Chair, an appeal was moved to the House.

And, on the question, Is the decision of the Chair correct ?

It passed in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Newton, that the said resolution be postponed indefinitely.

And debate arising,

The House adjourned until Monday morning, ten o'clock.

MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Smith, of Pennsylvania, have leave of absence from Monday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Skinner, from the joint committee for enrolled bills, reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "for the relief of Daniel M'Cauly and Samuel Ralston ;" also, an enrolled bill "for the relief of the owners of the cargo of the brig *Patriotta* ;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled : On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of Saturday last : Whereupon,

On motion of Mr. Calhoun,

Ordered, That the unfinished business do lie on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed a bill "making Elizabeth city the port of entry for the District of Camden, in the State of North Carolina ;" in which they ask the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Calhoun, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, made a report on the message of the President of the United States, of the 31st ultimo, which was read : When,

Mr. Calhoun, from the same Committee, by leave of the House, reported a bill to repeal an act, entitled "An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States, and so much of any act or acts as prohibit the importation of goods, wares, and merchandise, the growth, produce, or manufacture of Great Britain or Ireland, or of any of the colonies or dependencies thereof, or of any place or country in the actual possession of Great Britain, and for other purposes ;" which was read the first time ; and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Calhoun, from the same committee, by leave of the House also reported a bill to prohibit the exportation of specie, gold or silver coin or bullion ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House to whom was committed the bill last mentioned.

A motion was made by Mr. Calhoun, that the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from the further consideration of that part of the message from the President of the United States, of the 31st ultimo, which recommends the continuance, for two years after the end of the war in which the United States are now engaged, of the act laying double duties on importations from foreign countries, and that that part of the said message be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

A division of the question was called for ; and, on the question to discharge the Committee on Foreign Relations from the further consideration of the said subject,

Mr. Champion,
Cilley,
Clark,
Comstock,
Cox,
Creighton,
Culpeper,

Mr. Ruggles,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Thompson,
Troup,
Udree,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wright,
Yancey.

Mr. Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Hale,
Hall,
Hanson,
Hawes,
Hawkins,
Howell,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,

Mr. Irving,
Johnson, of Va.
Johnson, of Ky.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kershaw,
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Kim,
Miller,

Mr. Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Nelson,
Newton,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Pleasants,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Rhea, of Ten.
Ringgold,

Mr. Ruggles,
Sharp,
Sheffey,
Stanford,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Troup,
Vose,
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Wright.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Archer,
Barnett,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Cox,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Duvall,
Earle,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vermont,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,

Mr. Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gaston,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,
Murfree,
Oakley,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pearson,
Pickens,
Piper,

Mr. Rea, of Penn.
Rich,
Ridgely,
Robertson,
Sevier,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Thompson,
Udree,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
White,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Winter,
Yancey.

A motion was then made by Mr. Hall, to amend the resolution by inserting, after the word "bank," the words "within the District of Columbia:"

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken to agree to the said resolution,

And passed in the affirmative.

And Mr. Grundy, Mr. Oakley, Mr. Calhoun, Mr. Gaston, Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, Mr. Lowndes, Mr. Ward, of Massachusetts, Mr. Ingham, and Mr. Fisk, of New York, were appointed the said committee.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill concerning invalid pensioners, and the question depending on the 31st ultimo, on the amendment proposed by Mr. Culpeper, was taken,

And determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, of Kentucky,

The House resumed the consideration of the engrossed bill "authorizing the payment for property captured or destroyed, while in the public service, by the enemy of the United States."

And the question recurred, Shall the bill pass? And,

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The further consideration of the said bill was postponed until to-morrow.

The bill from the Senate, "making Elizabeth City the port of entry and delivery for the district of Camden, in North Carolina," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be read a third time.

The said bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 1814.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the Committee did, yesterday, present to the President of the United States the enrolled bills the examination of which was reported on that day.

Mr. King, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of Samuel Burnham, praying to be allowed a proportion of the proceeds of the sale of a British sloop captured by the privateer Mary, of Portland, whereof he was lieutenant, which was afterwards re-captured by a British ship of war, but was subsequently brought to, and re-taken, by the American fort on Moose Island.

Ordered, That the said petition do lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Nelson,

Ordered, That so much of the petition of John Montford Gregory, presented on the 11th of June, 1813, as relates to a grant of land, be referred to the Committee on the Public Lands; and that the residue of the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, of Kentucky,

Ordered, That the petition of William Thornton, presented on the 3d of July, 1813, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, to whom were referred the papers in relation to the claim of the owners of the Danish brigantine called the Henrick, made a report thereon; which was read: And,

Mr. Archer, by leave of the House, reported a bill to enable the President of the United States to make restitution to the owners of the Danish brigantine called the Henrick; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Saturday next.

Mr. Robertson, from the Committee on the Public Lands, by leave of the House reported a bill for the relief of John R. Williams; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Robertson also made a report on the petition of John Stafford; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought *not* to be granted.

Mr. Robertson also made a report on the petition of Richard Fletcher; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, by leave of the House reported a bill for the relief of John Castille; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Eppes, by leave of the House, also reported a bill for the relief of Edward Hallowell; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Eppes also reported a bill for the relief of John T. Williamson and Thomas Rice; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Eppes, by leave of the House, also reported a bill for the relief of Benjamin W. Crowninshield; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Eppes, from the same committee, who was instructed to inquire into the expediency of increasing the compensation allowed to the Collectors of the Customs, made a report thereon; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to act on the subject during the present session of Congress.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of Moses Carleton and others, inhabitants of Wiscasset, in the District of Maine; also, on the petition of Joshua Hilton;

also, on the petition of Aaron Blaney and others, inhabitants of Waldoborough ; and, also, on the petition of sundry inhabitants of the town of Machias, in the District of Maine ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave to *withdraw* their petitions.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of the district of Penobscott, in the District of Maine ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave to *withdraw* their petitions.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of Stephen Girard, referred on the 14th ultimo ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought *not* to be granted.

Mr. Grundy, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Claxton, made a report thereon, and recommending the adoption, by the House, of the following resolutions ; which were read :

Resolved, That James Claxton be, and he is hereby, appointed keeper of the letter, newspaper, and stationery office of this House.

Resolved, That James Claxton be allowed, for the execution of the duties of said office, the sum of three dollars per day during each session of Congress, and for six days preceding the commencement of each session, and for twenty days after the termination thereof ; which compensation shall commence six days prior to the present session.

The question was stated from the chair, that the House do concur in the said resolutions : When,

A motion was made by Mr. Wright, to amend the last resolution, by striking out the word "*three*," and to insert "*two*."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Stanford,

Ordered, That the said report and resolutions do lie on the table.

Mr. Eppes, from the committee appointed on the 30th ultimo, reported a bill fixing the time for the next meeting of Congress ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time : When,

A motion was made by Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, to amend the bill by striking out the words "third Monday in October," and to insert "first day of November."

A motion was then made by Mr. King, of North Carolina, that the said bill be postponed until Monday next.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative : and,

On motion of Mr. Grundy,

The said bill was ordered to lie on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Comptroller of the Treasury, transmitting the annual list of balances remaining on the books of the Treasury and Navy Departments respectively ; which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill supplementary to the act, entitled "An act to provide for the widows and orphans of militia slain, and for militia disabled in the actual service of the United States ;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Macon reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto ; which was again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the bill to authorize the erection of a penitentiary in the District of Columbia, and to provide the necessary funds therefor, be postponed indefinitely.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill supplementary to an act, entitled "An act for ascertaining the titles and claims to lands in that part of Louisiana which lies East of the river Mississippi, and Island of New Orleans ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto ; which was read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. Ingham for consideration :

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to report to Congress, at their next session, a general tariff of duties, conformably to the existing situation of the general and local interests of the United States.

The House proceeded to consider the said resolution.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Kim to amend the same by adding thereto the following :

"And also, with a view to extend the specific duties as far as practicable, and to suggest such improvements in the laws as may be necessary to secure more effectually the collection of the duties on imports and tonnage."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Pitkin that the said resolution do lie on the table.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken to agree to the said resolution as originally proposed,

And passed in the affirmative.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to provide for the collection, preservation, and public exhibition, of such flags, standards, and colors, as shall have been, or may hereafter be, taken by the land and naval forces of the United States from their enemies ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto ; which was again read, and concurred in by the House.

The said bill was further amended in the House, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Jervis Cutler ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Ingersoll,

Ordered, That the bill further to amend the judicial system of the United States be postponed indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. Sheffey,

Ordered, That the report of the select committee on the petition of J. A. Chevallie, agent for Amelie Eugenie de Beaumarchais, heir and representative of the late Caron de Beaumarchais, be postponed indefinitely.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate, "for the relief of John Cahoon and others ;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be read the third time to-morrow.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "for the better organization of the courts of the United States, within the State of New York ;" also, the bill "for the relief of William Henry Savage ;" and, also, the bill "for the relief of Seth Russell and sons."

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of persons who, by mistake, have made wrong entries on the public lands ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stanford reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto, by striking out the first section of the same : Upon which,

The Speaker decided, that the report of the Committee of the Whole House was not in order, because the amendment struck out the whole bill, which consisted of but one section, and therefore amounted to a rejection of the bill.

A motion was then made by Mr. Taylor, that the said bill be postponed indefinitely.

And the question being taken,

It was resolved in the affirmative.

The remaining orders of the day were farther postponed until to-morrow.

And the House adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Beall and Mr. Ingham have leave of absence from Monday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Bradley presented a petition of David Stone and Josiah Bellows, praying to be relieved from the penalties incurred by the importation from the British province of

Canada, of a quantity of merchandise, and which they were compelled to withdraw from that province in consequence of the declaration of the present war.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of Abner Pipes and Delliab Pipes, praying to be paid the amount of pension to which Gustavus Campbell was entitled, in consideration of wounds received whilst a serjeant in the Army, and in whose right they claim.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. Wright for consideration :

Resolved, That the following rule be added to the rules of this House:

Resolved, That the following rule be added to the rules of this House:
 "That no amendment, by way of *rider*, be received to any bill on its third reading."

The said resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Jennings,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the further consideration of the bill to define more explicitly the duties of the Judges of the General Court of the Territories of Indiana and Illinois.

The House resumed the consideration of the report of the select committee, made yesterday, on the petition of Thomas Claxton, in the resolutions submitted in the said

And the question was again stated to concur in the resolutions submitted in the said report: When,

A motion was made by Mr. Archer, that the House do reconsider their vote of yesterday, on the motion made by Mr. Wright to amend the second of the said resolutions by striking out the word "*three*," and inserting the word "*two*."

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative.

The question was then again taken on the said motion, made yesterday, by Mr. Wright,

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 68,
Nays 49.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Archer,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Brown,
Chappell,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Geddes,

Mr. Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Griffin,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Irwin,
Kennedy,
Kerr,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lyle,
Macon,
McKim,
M'Lean,
Moffitt,
Moore,
Nelson,
Newton,
Parker,

Mr. Pearson,
Pickering,
Piper,
Pitkin,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Pen.
Rhea of Ten.
Ringgold,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Stanford,
Strong,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Thompson,
Udree,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Baylies, of Mass.
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Brigham,
Calhoun,
Champion,

Mr. Cilley,
Cox,
Ely,
Farrow,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Grundy,

Mr. Hawkins,
Howell,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Jackson, of Va.
Kent, of Md.
Law,

Mr. Lowndes,
Miller,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,

Mr. Ridgely,
Robertson,
Sevier,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Va.
Stuart,

Mr. Tannehill,
Troup,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Mass.
Wilson, of Pa.
Winter,
Wood.

A motion was made by Mr. Chappel to strike out all the said resolutions, after the word resolved, where it first occurs, and, in lieu thereof, to insert the following :

That the door-keeper of the House of Representatives shall, from and after the adoption of this resolution, receive, in addition to his present pay, the sum of ——— per day, during the sessions of Congress, and for twenty days after the adjournment, thereof, as a compensation for his increased trouble in superintending the post office, kept for the use of the Members of Congress, and that the said additional pay shall accrue from the commencement of the present session.

A motion was then made by Mr. Sherwood to fill the blank, in the amendment proposed by Mr. Chappel, with the words "*two dollars and fifty cents*;" and,

On motion of Mr. Calhoun,

The said report, resolutions, and amendments proposed, were ordered to lie on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "for the relief of Mary Cheevers," with amendments. The Senate have passed a bill "authorizing an augmentation of the marine corps, and for other purposes;" also, a bill "directing the disposition of money paid into the courts of the United States;" in which bills and amendments they ask the concurrence of this House.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to repeal an act, entitled "An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States," and so much of any act or acts as prohibit the importation of goods, wares, and merchandise, of the growth, produce, or manufacture, of Great Britain or Ireland, or of any of the colonies or dependencies thereof, or of any place or country in the actual possession of Great Britain, and for other purposes ; and on the bill to prohibit the exportation of specie, gold or silver coin, or bullion ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Pleasants reported that the committee had had the said bills under consideration, and made amendments to the bill first mentioned, and had directed him to ask leave to sit again on the second mentioned bill.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again to-morrow on the said last mentioned bill.

The amendments reported to the bill first mentioned, were again read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to amend the bill by striking out the third section of the bill : When,

A motion was made by Mr. Forsyth, also, to amend the bill by striking out the following words, contained in the said third section of the bill : "and no citizen of the United States shall be permitted to depart in such ship or vessel, without a passport or permission therefor, furnished under the authority and direction of the President of the United States.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 65,
Nays 75.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Barnett,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Bradbury,
Bradley,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,

Mr. Caperton,
Champion,
Chappell,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Cuthbert,

Mr. Davenport,
Ely,
Forsyth,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Hale,
Hanson,

Mr. Hawes,
Howell,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
King of Mas.
King of N. C.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Macon,
M'Kim,
Moffitt,

Mr. Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Ridgely,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Seybert,
Sheffey,

Mr. Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Tallmadge,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Webster,
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.

Those who voted in the negative are,

Mr. Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Bard,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Clark,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn.
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vermont,

Mr. Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawkins,
Humphreys,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Jackson, of Va.
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
Lefferts,
Lyle,
M'Lean,
Moore,
Nelson,

Mr. Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Potter,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Ringgold,
Roane,
Sevier,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright,
Yancey.

The question then recurred on striking out the whole of the third section.
The remaining orders of the day were further postponed until to-morrow.
The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Newton have leave of absence from Monday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. King, of Massachusetts, presented a petition of Dominicus Cutts, of the District of Maine, administrator of the estate of Samuel P. Abbot, praying to be relieved from the forfeiture and penalty incurred by said Abbot in an unintentional violation of the act of non-intercourse between the United States and Great Britain and France, passed in 1809.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Seybert presented a petition of sundry manufacturers of woollen goods in the City of Philadelphia, praying that Congress will take their situation into consideration, and adopt measures for their protection and encouragement.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Mr. Ingham presented a petition of sundry contractors in the Eastern States for the manufacture of arms, praying to be allowed an additional sum of money for the arms they may deliver, over and above the contract price.

Ordered, That the said petition do lie on the table.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, by leave of the House reported a bill to augment the compensation of the Accountant of the War Department, and of the Paymaster General; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Eppes also, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of John D. Hay; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-day.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "making Elizabeth-city the port of entry and delivery for the District of Camden, in North Carolina; and had found the same to be truly enrolled: On which,

The Speaker signed the said bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Ingham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petitions of Zebulon Wade and William H. Peake, and that they have leave to withdraw their petitions.

The amendment of the Senate to the bill "for the relief of Mary Cheevers" was read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The bill from the Senate, "authorizing an augmentation of the marine corps, and for other purposes," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

The bill from the Senate, "directing the disposition of money paid into the Courts of the United States," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and, committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The House resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday; and the question depending at the time of adjournment, on the motion to strike out the third section of the bill then under consideration, was again stated from the chair.

And being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 70,
Nays 78.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Bard,
Baylies, of Mass.
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Bradley,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Champion,
Chappell,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Cuthbert,
Davenport,
Duvall,
Ely,
Farrow,
Forsyth,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hawkins,

Mr. Howell,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kennedy,
Kent of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Macon,
M'Kim,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Ridgely,

Mr. Robertson,
Ruggles,
Seybert,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Penn.
Stanford,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wood.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,

Mr. Anderson,
Archer,

Mr. Barnett,
Beall,

Mr. Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Irving,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Macon,
Moffitt,
Murfree,
Markell,
Oakley,

Mr. Pearson,
Pickering,
Pickens,
Pitkin,
Pleasants,
Post,
John Reed,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. H.

Mr. Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Pa.
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Wilson, of Penn.
Winter.

A motion was then made by Mr. Nelson, further to amend the said bill by striking out the first section thereof.

And the question being taken,

It was also determined in the negative, { Yeas, 22,
Nays, 126.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Bard,
Barnett,
Caldwell,
Clopton,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Franklin,

Mr. Hall,
Hawkins,
Johnson, of Ky.
Lyle,
Macon,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,

Mr. Parker,
Roane,
Strong,
Troup,
Whitehill,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Baylies, of Mass.
Beall,
Bigelow,
Bowen,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Brown,
Calhoun,
Champion,
Chappell,
Cilley,
Clark,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Cooper,
Cox,
Crawford,
Creighton,

Mr. Crouch,
Culpeper,
Cuthbert,
Davenport,
Davis, of Penn.
Duvall,
Ely,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of New York,
Forney,
Forsyth,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grosvenor,
Grundy,
Hale,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,

Mr. Hawes,
Howell,
Humphreys.
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Maryland,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Law,
Lefferts,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
McKim,
McLean,
Moffit,
Montgomery,

Mr. Moore,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pickens,
Pitkin,
Pleasants,
Post,
Potter,
John Reed,
William Reed,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,

Mr. Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Virg.
Stanford,
Stuart,
Sturges,

Mr. Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Wilson, of Penn.
Winter,
Wood,
Wright.

The question was then taken, that the said bill be engrossed and read the third time,

And passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 115,
Nays 38.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Baylies, of Mass.
Beall,
Bigelow,
Bowen,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Brown,
Caperton,
Calhoun,
Champion,
Chappell,
Cilley,
Clark,
Comstock,
Condict,
Cooper,
Cox,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Davis, of Penn.
Duvall,
Ely,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Gholson,

Mr. Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Grosvenor,
Grundy,
Hale,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Howell,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Irving,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
King of N. C.
Law,
Lefferts,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Miller,
Moffit,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pitkin,
Pleasants,

Mr. Post,
John Reed,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Vir.
Stanford,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Thompson,
Udree,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wright.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Bard,
Barnett,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Clopton,
Conard,
Crawford,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Franklin,
Griffin,

Mr. Hall,
Hawes,
Hawkins,
Ingham,
Johnson, of Ky.
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,

Mr. Ormsby,
Parker,
Potter,
William Reed,
Roane,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Troup,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wood,
Yancey.

Ordered, That the said bill be read the third time to-day.
The said bill was accordingly read the third time.
And on the question that the same do pass,

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas, 115,
 { Nays, 37.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Baylies, of Mass.
Beall,
Bigelow,
Bowen,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Brown,
Caperton,
Calhoun,
Champion,
Chappell,
Cilley,
Clark,
Comstock,
Condict,
Cooper,
Cox,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Cuthbert,
Davenport,
Davis, of Pa.
Duvall,
Ely,
Eppes,
Evans,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Forsyth,
Gaston,
Geddes,

Mr. Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Howell,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Irving,
Jackson, of R. I.
Jackson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Law,
Lefferts,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pickins,
Piper,
Pitkin,

Mr. Pleasants,
Post,
John Reed,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ridgely,
Ringgold,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Sheffey,
Sherwood,
Shipherd,
Skinner,
Smith, of N. H.
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Thompson,
Udree,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Ward, of N. J.
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter,
Wright.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Bard,

Mr. Barnett,
Butler

Mr. Caldwell,
Clopton,

Mr. Conard,
Crawford,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Earle,
Franklin,
Hall,
Hawes,
Hawkins,
Ingham,
Irwin,

Mr. Johnson, of Ky.
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,

Mr. Parker,
Potter,
William Reed,
Roane,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Troup,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Yancey.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to repeal an act, entitled 'An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States,' and so much of any act or acts as prohibit the importation of goods, wares, and merchandise, of the growth, produce, or manufacture, of Great Britain or Ireland, or of any of the colonies or dependencies thereof, or of any place or country in the actual possession of Great Britain, and for other purposes;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "for the final adjustment of land titles in the State of Louisiana and Territory of Missouri," with amendments; in which they ask the concurrence of this House.

The remaining orders of the day were farther postponed until to-morrow.

And the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Fisk, of New York, have leave of absence from Monday for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the Committee had examined three bills, entitled

"An act for the better organization of the Courts of the United States, within the State of New York;

"An act for the relief of William Henry Savage;

"An act for the relief of Seth Russell and sons;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled: On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Rhea, of Pennsylvania, presented a petition of sundry owners of mills, in the county of Franklin, and State of Pennsylvania, complaining of oppressions from Oliver Evans in the exercise of his patent rights, and praying redress.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the report of a select committee on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Baltimore, of a similar nature.

On motion of Mr. Grundy,

Ordered, That the committee appointed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a national bank, be discharged from the farther consideration of that subject.

The amendments of the Senate to the bill "for the final adjustment of land titles in the State of Louisiana and Territory of Missouri," were read, and referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Lattimore,

Ordered, That leave be given to the agent of William Tharp to withdraw the petition of the said Tharp, together with the documents accompanying the same.

On motion of Mr. Robertson,

Resolved, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office be, and he is hereby, required to procure, for the use of the Committee on the Public Lands, all such maps, plats, and surveys, as, in his opinion, may aid the said committee in the discharge of their duties.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill fixing the time for the next meeting of Congress: When,

The question recurred on the amendment proposed by Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, on the 5th instant, which was to strike out "third Monday in October," and insert "*first day of November*:" Upon which,

Mr. Jackson modified his amendment, so as to strike out the word "*third*," and insert the word "*last*."

And on the motion to agree to the said amendment as modified,
It passed in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-day.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill to define more explicitly the duties of the Judges of the General Court of the Territory of Indiana.

When the question was taken to agree to the amendments reported on the 17th of March last, by the Committee on the Judiciary,

And was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken that the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time,
And passed in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Pleasants,

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House be requested to inform the Executive of the State of Virginia of the death of John Dawson, one of the Representatives from said State.

On motion of Mr. Wright,

The House proceeded to consider the resolution submitted by him on the 6th instant, proposing an amendment to the rules and orders of this House; and the said resolution being again read, was agreed to by the House.

An engrossed bill for the relief of John P. Williamson and Thomas Rice was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of John P. Williamson and Thomas Rice."

An engrossed bill for the relief of Benjamin W. Crowninshield was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Benjamin W. Crowninshield."

An engrossed bill for the relief of Jervis Cutler was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Jervis Cutler."

An engrossed bill for the preservation, collection, and public exhibition of such flags, standards, and colors, as shall have been, or may hereafter be, taken by the land and naval forces of the United States from their enemies, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the collection and preservation of such flags, standards, and colors, as shall have been, or may hereafter be, taken by the land and naval forces of the United States from their enemies."

An engrossed bill supplementary to an act, entitled "An act for ascertaining the titles and claims to lands in that part of Louisiana which lies East of the river Mississippi and Island of New Orleans," was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act supplementary to an act, entitled "An act for ascertaining the titles and claims to lands in that part of Louisiana which lies East of the river Mississippi and Island of New Orleans."

An engrossed bill supplementary to the act, entitled "An act to provide for the widows and orphans of militia slain, and for militia disabled, in the service of the United States," was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act supplementary to the act, entitled "An act to provide for the widows and orphans of militia slain, and for militia disabled in the service of the United States."

An engrossed bill fixing the time for the next meeting of Congress, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act fixing the time for the next meeting of Congress," and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The bill from the Senate, "for the relief of John Calhoone and others," was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill extending relief to certain purchasers of public lands in the Mississippi Territory; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. King, of North Carolina, reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize the subdivision of the quarter sections of the lands of the United States; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the more effectual protection of the Northwestern frontier, by granting donations of land to actual settlers; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Macon reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made several amendments thereto; which he delivered in at the Clerk's table.

And on the question to proceed to the consideration of the said report of the Committee of the Whole House,

It was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the consideration of the report of the Committee of Claims, on the petition of John Gibson.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill "to incorporate a company for the purpose of supplying Georgetown with water;" also, a bill "authorizing the appointment of certain officers for the flotilla service;" in which bills they ask the concurrence of this House.

The order of the day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill prescribing the mode of commencing, prosecuting, and deciding, controversies between two or more States, being moved,

A motion was made by Mr. Humphreys, that the said bill be postponed indefinitely.

And after debate thereon,

The remaining orders of the day were farther postponed until to-morrow.

And the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, ten o'clock.

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Webster have leave of absence from Wednesday next, and Mr. Murfree from Monday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. M'Kim presented a petition of sundry manufacturers in the city and neighborhood of Baltimore, praying that the revenue laws may be amended so as to ascertain, with greater certainty, the amount of duties payable on importations of goods; and, that the importation of cotton goods, from ports beyond the Cape of Good Hope, may be prohibited.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Archer presented sundry documents in relation to the petition of Giles Wolcott; which were ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Robertson, from the Committee on the Public Lands, reported the agreement of that committee to the amendments proposed by the Senate to the bill "for the final adjustment of land titles in the State of Louisiana and Territory of Missouri."

The said amendments were then again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Robertson also made a report on the petition of Obadiah Scott; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, made a report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Portsmouth, in the State of New Hampshire; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Eppes, from the same committee, by leave of the House reported a bill to amend the act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise, and for other purposes; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Eppes, also, by leave of the House, reported a bill for the relief of George Hamilton; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of Walter Finney; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition ought *not* to be granted.

Mr. Eppes also made a report on the petition of David Stone, and Josiah Bellows, the third; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave to *withdraw* their petition.

On motion of Mr. Eppes,

Ordered, That the Committee of Ways and Means be discharged from the further consideration of the several petitions which have been presented to this House, during the present session, and referred to them, from sundry inhabitants of the States of Massachusetts, Connecticut, and New York, who are non-resident proprietors of lands and houses in the State of Ohio, and that the said petitions do lie on the table.

Mr. Fisk, of New York, from the select committee appointed to inquire into the manner of making contracts for supplying the Army of the United States, and to what extent general officers have interfered in such contracts prejudicial to the public interest, and to the rights of individuals, made a report ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a letter from the Comptroller of the Treasury, accompanied with sundry statements prepared in obedience to an act establishing a mint and regulating the coins of the United States ; which were ordered to lie on the table.

The bill from the Senate, "authorizing the appointment of certain officers for the flotilla service," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

The bill from the Senate, "to incorporate a company for the purpose of supplying Georgetown with water," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be read the third time on Monday next.

The House again resumed the consideration of the report of the select committee on the petition of Thomas Claxton : On which,

Mr. Chappell withdrew his motion to amend the said report, proposed on the 6th instant, and proposed the following amendment to the said report : strike out from the word *Resolved*, when it occurs first, and insert, "that there shall be allowed, to be paid out of the contingent fund, to the person employed by the door-keeper of the House of Representatives to superintend the post office kept in the capitol, the sum of ——— per day, during the sessions of Congress, and for twenty days after the adjournment thereof ; and that the said allowance shall accrue from the commencement of the present session."

A motion was made by Mr. Grundy, to fill the blank in the said amendment with the words "*two dollars and fifty cents.*"

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Chappell,

The blank in the said amendment was filled with the words "*two dollars.*"

The question was then taken to agree to the said resolution as amended,

And passed in the affirmative.

The House resumed the consideration of the amendment of the Senate, to the bill "declaring the assent of Congress to an act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, therein mentioned ;" and the said amendment being again read, was disagreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday : Upon which,

Mr. Humphreys withdrew his motion, depending at the time of adjournment, to postpone the bill then under consideration, indefinitely.

The question was then taken, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the said bill,

And was determined in the negative.

An engrossed bill to extend relief to certain purchasers of public lands in the Mississippi Territory was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to extend relief to certain purchasers of public lands in the Mississippi Territory."

An engrossed bill to authorize the subdivision of the quarter sections of the lands of the United States was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to authorize the subdivision of the quarter sections of the lands of the United States ;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill authorizing the Secretary of State, during the continuance of the present war, to make an additional allowance to the owners and masters of vessels for bringing back to the United States destitute and distressed American seamen ; and, after some time spent

therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday next.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, this day, present to the President of the United States the enrolled bills, the examination of which was reported on the 7th and 8th instant.

Mr. Skinner also reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "for the relief of John Cahoon and others," and had found the same to be truly enrolled : On which,

The Speaker signed the said bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Augustus M'Kinney and Laysel Bancroft; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto; which was again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Arthur Tappan, John Frothingham, and Ithamar Eaton; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

A motion was then made by Mr. Eppes, that the said bill be postponed indefinitely.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken that the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time,

And passed in the negative.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate *insist* on their amendment to the bill "declaring the assent of Congress to an act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, therein mentioned," and ask a conference on the subject-matter of the said amendment. The Senate have concurred in the resolution sent from this House, to fix the time for the adjournment of the present session of Congress, with amendments. The Senate have passed a bill "fixing the salary of the Paymaster of the Army of the United States, and allowing a sum for the employment of additional clerks in his office, for the year 1814, and providing for the appointment of assistant district paymasters;" in which bill and amendments they ask the concurrence of this House.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the Whole House on the report of the Committee of Claims on the petition of Thomas Cutts; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said report under consideration, and came to no agreement thereon.

A motion was then made by Mr. Seybert, that the said report, together with the petition, be recommitted to the Committee of Claims,

And passed in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Macon,

The remaining orders of the day were farther postponed until Monday.

And the House proceeded to consider the amendments proposed by the Senate to the resolution fixing the time for the adjournment of Congress; they were again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

And then the House adjourned until Monday morning, ten o'clock.

MONDAY, APRIL 11, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Jackson, of Virginia, have leave of absence from to-day, Mr. Rich from Wednesday next, and Mr. Udree from Thursday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Grosvenor presented a petition of Robert Buchanan, praying compensation for a house destroyed by fire, whilst in the occupancy of the Army of the United States, stationed at French mills, in the State of New York.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Secretary of War, to report thereon at the next session of Congress.

Mr. Caldwell presented petitions of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Jefferson and Belmont, in the State of Ohio, praying that a post route may be established from

Steubenville, by Warren and Mount Pleasant, to St. Clairsville; and that the post route from Pittsburgh to Cambridge may not pass by Mount Pleasant and Warren.

Ordered, That the said petitions do lie on the table.

The bill from the Senate, "fixing the salary of the Paymaster of the Army of the United States, and allowing a sum for the employment of additional clerks in his office, for the year 1814, and providing for the appointment of assistant district paymasters," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

The House proceeded to consider the message from the Senate, asking a conference upon the subject-matter of the amendments depending between the two Houses to the bill "declaring the assent of Congress to an act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, therein mentioned:" Whereupon,

Resolved, That this House do agree to the conference asked by the Senate, and that Mr. Grundy, Mr. Eppes, and Mr. Telfair, be the managers at the same on their part.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Wright,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of raising the floor and completing the House of Representatives' chamber for the accommodation and health of the members.

Mr. Wright, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Pitkin, Mr. Forsyth, and Mr. Sharp, were appointed the said committee.

The House again resumed the consideration of the bill "authorizing the payment for property captured or destroyed while in the public service, by the enemy of the United States;"

And the question was again stated: Shall the bill pass? When,

A motion was made by Mr. Fisk, of New York, to amend the said bill: On which, it was

Ordered, That the said bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-day.

An engrossed bill for the relief of Augustus M'Kinney and Laysel Bancroft was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Augustus M'Kinney and Laysel Bancroft."

An engrossed bill authorizing the Secretary of State, during the present war, to make an additional allowance to the owners and masters of vessels for bringing back to the United States, destitute and distressed American seamen, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to authorize the Secretary of State, during the present war, to make an additional allowance to the owners and masters of vessels, for bringing back to the United States, destitute and distressed American seamen;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The bill from the Senate, "to incorporate a company for the purpose of supplying Georgetown with water," was read the third time, amended with unanimous consent, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill authorizing the President of the United States to cause certain parts of the coast of the United States to be surveyed; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto; which were again read at the Clerk's table.

A motion was then made by Mr. Wilson, of Pennsylvania, to amend the amendments reported by the Committee of the Whole House, by adding, after the word "St. Croix," the following words: "and also, of French creek, a branch of the Alleghany river, to Le Boeuf lake."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The amendments reported by the Committee of the Whole House were then concurred in by the House, and the bill was ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Caperton, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, this day, present to the President of the United States, an enrolled bill "for the relief of John Cahoon and others."

Mr. Caperton also reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "for the relief of Mary Cheever;" also, an enrolled bill "for the final adjustment of land titles in the State of Louisiana and Territory of Missouri;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled: On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill granting pensions to officers and seamen serving on board of revenue cutters in certain cases; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the consideration of the report of the Committee of Claims on the petition of Sarah Wheaton, and that the said petition and accompanying documents be referred to the Comptroller of the Treasury.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for quieting and adjusting claims to land in the Mississippi Territory; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stanford reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto; which were delivered in at the Clerk's table: When,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Coy, that the said bill be postponed indefinitely.

And passed in the affirmative.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill concerning certificates of confirmation of claims to lands in the State of Louisiana; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto; which was again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The remaining orders of the day were farther postponed until to-morrow.

And the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, ten o'clock.

TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 1814.

Mr. Ridgely presented a petition of James Tilton, physician and surgeon general of the Army of the United States, praying that provision may be made by law to allow him forage, postage, servants, &c., from the date of his appointment.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Murfree, from the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures, reported a bill to revive, and continue in force, an act declaring the consent of Congress to an act of the State of Georgia, passed on the 12th day of December, 1804, establishing the fees of the harbor-master and health-officer of the ports of Savannah and St. Mary's; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Chappell, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of James Anderson; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

Mr. Caperton, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, this day, present to the President of the United States, the enrolled bill the examination of which was reported yesterday.

On motion of Mr. Chappell,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petitions of Farrington Barcalow, administrator of Mary Rapelyea, William Smith, and Amy Dardin; and that the committee be also discharged from the consideration of the petition of George Serrell, executor to the estate of James Pearson, and that he have leave to withdraw his petition.

Mr. Lowndes, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported the bill from the Senate, "authorizing an augmentation of the marine corps, and for other purposes," without amendment.

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Lowndes also reported the bill from the Senate, "authorizing the appointment of certain officers for the flotilla service."

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to the Committee of the Whole House last mentioned.

Mr. Lowndes also, by leave of the House, reported a bill authorizing the purchase of the vessels captured on Lake Erie; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House last mentioned.

Mr. Troup, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported the bill from the Senate, "fixing the salary of the Paymaster of the Army of the United States, and allowing a sum for the employment of additional clerks in his office, for the year 1814, and providing for the appointment of assistant district paymasters," without amendment.

Mr. Grundy, from the managers appointed by this House, to confer with the managers appointed by the Senate, on the subject-matter of the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, on the bill "declaring the assent of Congress to an act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, therein mentioned," made a report thereon; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

An engrossed bill authorizing the President of the United States to cause certain parts of the coast of the United States to be surveyed, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act authorizing the President of the United States to cause certain parts of the coast of the United States to be surveyed."

An engrossed bill granting pensions to officers and seamen serving on board of revenue cutters, in certain cases, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act granting pensions to officers and seamen serving on board of revenue cutters, in certain cases."

An engrossed bill concerning certificates of confirmation of claims to lands in the State of Louisiana was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act concerning certificates of confirmation of claims to lands in the State of Louisiana."

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to authorize the President of the United States to accept the service of volunteers, who may associate and organize themselves for the defence of the United States; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto; which was again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. M'Kim,

Ordered, That the order of the day on the bill authorizing the President of the United States, during the continuance of the present embargo, to allow the transportation, by water, of lime from Thomastown and Hampden, in the District of Maine, to Portsmouth, in New Hampshire, be postponed indefinitely.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate "for the relief of David Porter, his officers and crew;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be read the third time to-day.

The said bill was, accordingly, read the third time, and passed *unanimously*.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the consideration of the bill from the Senate "to authorize two lotteries in Georgetown, District of Columbia."

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate "to revive and continue in force an act declaring the assent of Congress to certain acts of the States of Maryland and Georgia;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Archibald M'Call; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stanford reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "to repeal the act, entitled 'An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States,' and so much of any act or acts as prohibit the importation of goods, wares, and merchandise, of the growth, produce, or manufacture, of Great Britain or Ireland, or of any of the colonies or dependencies thereof, or of any place or country in the actual possession of Great Britain, and for other purposes," with amendments; in which they ask the concurrence of this House. The Senate have concurred in the amendment proposed by this House to the bill "to incorporate a company for the purpose of supplying Georgetown with water." The Senate have so far receded from their amendment to the bill "declaring the assent of Congress to an act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, therein mentioned," as to accept of the modification proposed by the committee of conference, and they have modified the bill accordingly. The Senate have also passed a bill "for the relief of Israel Thorndike;" in which bill they desire the concurrence of this House.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate "for the relief of Joseph Brevard ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be read the third time to-day.

The said bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate "to fix the compensation of the clerks employed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk to the House of Representatives;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Pleasants reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

The question recurred on the third reading of the bill : On which,

The said bill was ordered to lie on the table.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill "to incorporate the Columbian Manufacturing Company of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The order of the day on the bill laying a duty on spirits distilled within the United States being moved,

A motion was made by Mr. Alston, that the said order of the day be postponed indefinitely.

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas, 61,
Nays, 59.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Bard,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Butler,
Caperton,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clark,
Clopton,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,

Mr. Culpeper,
Davis, of Penn.
Desha,
Duvall,
Findley,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hanson,
Hawes,
Hawkins,
Humphreys,
Ingersoll,
Johnson of Ky.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,

Mr. Kilbourn,
Law,
Lefferts,
Lewis,
Lyle,
Macon,
McCoy,
McLean,
Montgomery,
Ormsby,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pickens,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Roane,
Sevier,

Mr. Sharp,
Sheffey,
Stanford,

Mr. Tannehill,
Thompson,

Mr. Udree,
Wilson, of Pa.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Archer,
Barnett,
Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Bradley,
Champion,
Cilley,
Comstock,
Cooper,
Cox,
Cuthbert,
Davenport,
Ely,
Fisk of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forsyth,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Hale,

Mr. Hall,
Hungerford,
Irving,
Jackson, of R I.
Johnson, of Va.
Kent, of Md.
King of Mass.
King, of N. C.
Lowndes,
M'Kim,
Moffitt,
Moore,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Nelson,
Oakley,
Parker,
Potter,
John Reed,

Mr. William Reed,
Rich,
Riggely,
Robertson,
Sage,
Seybert,
Sherwood,
Smith, of N. Y.
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Vose,
Ward, of N. J.
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Winter,
Wright.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to prohibit the exportation of gold or silver coins, or bullion ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

A motion was then made by Mr. Potter, that the first section of the said bill be stricken out.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ingersoll, to amend the bill by adding the following proviso to the end of the third section :

Provided always, That nothing in this act contained shall prevent the exportation, in vessels bound from any port of the United States to any port or place beyond the Cape of Good Hope, of as much specie, silver, or gold, as may be necessary to discharge the duties, payable at the port or place of outward destination ; the amount whereof shall be previously ascertained on the oath or affirmation of an owner, supercargo for the voyage, or captain of such vessel ; and the shipment whereof shall take place under the superintendence and direction of the officers of the customs in the port of departure of such vessel : *And provided further*, That any infraction or evasion of this clause shall subject such vessel, the owner, supercargo, and captain, or any of them, upon conviction thereof, to the penalties, forfeitures, and punishments, declared by this act against the exportation of specie, contrary to law.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. William Reed,

The said bill was amended by the House.

A motion was made by Mr. Hale, that the said bill do lie on the table.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made, by Mr. King, of Massachusetts, to strike out the fifth section of the said bill.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, on the 6th instant, approve and sign,

"An act for the relief of Daniel Macaulay and Samuel Ralston ;" and

"An act for the relief of the owners of the cargo of the brig *Patriotta* ;"

Also, on the 9th instant,

"An act for the better organization of the courts of the United States, within the State of New York ;"

The amendment proposed in the title of the said bill was read, and also concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House proceeded to consider the message from the Senate, informing this House of their agreement to the modification proposed by the joint committee of conference, on the subject matter of the disagreeing votes of the two Houses to the bill "declaring the assent of Congress to an act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, therein mentioned ;" and the report of the same being read : Whereupon,

Resolved, That this House do so far recede from their disagreement to the amendment of the Senate to the said bill as to accept of the modification proposed by the said joint committee of conference.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The bill from the Senate, "for the relief of Israel Thorndike," was read the first time ; and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, ten o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Macon have leave of absence from Saturday next for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, by leave of the House reported a bill making additional appropriations for the service of the year 1814 ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to day.

Mr. Chappell, from the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, made a report on the petition of Abner Pipes and Delilah Pipes ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought *not* to be granted.

Ordered, That the committee last mentioned be discharged from the petition of John B. Williams, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Ordered, That the said committee be also discharged from the petition of Joseph Sapp.

Mr. Murfree, from the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures, reported the bill from the Senate, "for the relief of Israel Thorndike," without amendment.

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-day.

Mr. Wright, from the select committee appointed on the 11th instant, by leave of the House reported a bill making an appropriation for completing the chamber of the House of Representatives ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to day.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. Hungerford, for consideration :

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Navy, to whom was submitted, by a resolution of this House, on the 15th day of March past, the petition and documents accompanying the same, of John T. Courtney and Samuel Harrison, and a report and resolution of the Committee on Naval Affairs relative to the same, be, and he is hereby, instructed to make a report thereupon to this House.

And, on the question to consider the said resolution,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Kilbourn, that the House do now proceed to the consideration of the report of the Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the better protection of the Northwestern frontier of the United States, by granting donations of land to actual settlers.

And, the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 36.
Nays 71.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alston,
Bowen,
Caldwell,
Chappell,
Creighton,
Davis, of Pa.

Mr. Desha,
Ely,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vermont,
Forney,

Mr. Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Griffin,
Johnson, of Va.
Johnson, of Ken.
Kent, of N. Y.

Mr. Kershaw,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Macon,
M'Lean,
Miller,
Murfree,

Mr. Nelson,
Ormsby,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Shipherd,

Mr. Smith, of N. Y.
Sturges,
Taggart,
Taylor,
Thompson,
Troup.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Archer,
Bard,
Barnett,
Baylies, of Mass.
Boyd,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Brown,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Clark,
Cooper,
Cox,
Crawford,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Cuthbert,
Eppes,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gaston,
Goldsborough,

Mr. Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hall,
Hanson,
Hawes,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,
Moffit,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Moseley,
Markell,
Pearson,

Mr. Pickering,
Pitkin,
Potter,
William Reed,
Rea, of Pa.
Rich,
Ridgely,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sage,
Seybert,
Smith, of Va.
Stanford,
Tallmadge,
Tannehill,
Telfair,
Udree,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

A motion was made by Mr. Fisk, of New York, to refer to the Secretary of War the documents accompanying the report of the committee appointed to inquire in what manner contracts for supplying the Army of the United States have been made, and to what extent general officers have interfered in such contracts, prejudicial to the public interest or to the rights of individuals.

A motion was made by Mr. Gholson, that the said motion do lie on the table.

And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Gaston,

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to communicate to this House any information in his possession touching our relations with France, not heretofore communicated, which, in his judgment, it is not improper to disclose.

Mr. Gaston and Mr. Cuthbert were appointed a committee to present the said resolution to the President.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate "authorizing an augmentation of the marine corps, and for other purposes:" also, on the bill from the Senate "for the appointment of certain officers for the flotilla service;" as also, on the bill of this House authorizing the purchase of vessels captured on lake Erie; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Pleasants reported that the committee had had the said bills under consideration, and made an amendment to the last mentioned bill; which was read at the Clerk's table, and concurred in by the House.

And the said bill was ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

The bill first mentioned was amended in the House and ordered to be read the third time to-morrow.

The second mentioned bill was also ordered to be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Caperton, from the joint committee for enrolled bills, reported that the committee had examined three enrolled bills, entitled

"An act for the relief of Joseph Brevard;"

"An act for the relief of David Porter, his officers and crews;"

"An act to incorporate a company for the purpose of supplying Georgetown with water;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled: on which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

An engrossed bill to authorize the President of the United States to accept the service of volunteers who may associate and organize themselves for the defence of the United States was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to authorize the President of the United States to accept the service of volunteers who may associate and organize themselves for the defence of the United States."

An engrossed bill for the relief of Archibald M'Call was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of Archibald M'Call."

An engrossed bill to incorporate the Columbian Manufacturing Company of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to incorporate the Columbian Manufacturing Company of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The bill from the Senate, "to revive and continue in force an act declaring the assent of Congress to certain acts of the States of Maryland and Georgia," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

An engrossed bill to prohibit the exportation of specie, gold and silver coins, or bullion, was read the third time, and the question was stated from the chair that the bill do pass: When,

A motion was made by Mr. Pitkin, that the said bill be postponed indefinitely. And the question being taken,

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas 63.
 { Nays 60.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.

Bigelow,
Boyd,
Bradbury,
Bradley,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Butler,
Caperton,
Champion,
Chappell,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Ely,
Farrow,
Forney,
Forsyth,
Gaston,
Geddes,

Mr. Goldsborough,

Grosvenor,
Grundy,
Hale,
Hanson,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kennedy,
Kent, of N. Y.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of Mass.
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Markell,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Potter,

Mr. John Reed,

William Reed,
Rich,
Ridgely,
Ruggles,
Seybert,
Sheffey,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Troup,
Vose,
Ward of Mass.
Wheaton,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Mass.
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,

Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,

Mr. Calhoun,

Clark,
Clopton
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,

Mr. Davis, of Penn.

Desha,
Duvall,
Eppes,
Findley,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Griffin,
Hawes,

Mr. Hawkins,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Johnson, of Va.
Johnson, of Ken.
Kent, of Maryland,
Kilbourn,
Lefferts,
Lyle,
M'Coy,

Mr. M'Lean,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Nelson,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rhea, of Penn,
Rhea, of Tenn.

Mr. Roane,
Sage,
Sharp,
Smith of Va.
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed a bill "for the relief of James Lloyd," in which they ask the concurrence of this House. The Senate have postponed, until the 1st Monday in December next, the bill "for the relief of Stephen Girard."

The President of the United States did, on the 9th and 11th instant, approve and sign,
"An act making Elizabeth City the port of entry and delivery for the district of Camden, in the State of North Carolina ;"

"An act for the relief of John Cahoone and others."

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the consideration of the bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to subscribe, on behalf of the United States, for 750 shares of the capital stock of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the consideration of the report of the Committee of Claims, on the petitions from sundry inhabitants of Vincennes and of Knox county, in the Indiana Territory.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill allowing compensation for horses owned by militia or volunteers, and killed or lost in the service of the United States ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto ; which was read, and concurred in by the House.

A motion was then made by Mr. Rich, further to amend the said bill by inserting a new section, to come in as the fourth section, as follows :

And be it further enacted, That the several persons employed in removing the army from Plattsburgh and Burlington to Sackett's Harbor in the month of March, 1813, be allowed and paid the amount of such damages as they shall have sustained by the loss or injury of sleighs and horses, while employed in that service, said damages to be ascertained in such manner as the President of the United States shall direct.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The said bill was then amended in the House, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Caperton, from the joint committee for enrolled bills, reported that the committee had examined two enrolled bills, entitled,

"An act to repeal the act, entitled "An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States," and so much of any act or acts as prohibit the importation of goods, wares, and merchandise, of the growth, produce, or manufacture, of Great Britain or Ireland, or of any of the colonies or dependencies thereof, or of any place or country in the actual possession of Great Britain ;"

"An act declaring the assent of Congress to an act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, therein mentioned ;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled :
On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of Richard Mitchell ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

And, on the question to engross the bill for a third reading,

It was determined in the negative.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 1814.

Ordered, That Mr. Forsyth, Mr. Duvall, and Mr. Johnson, of Virginia, have leave of absence from to-morrow for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, by leave of the House reported a bill for the relief of Joseph S. Hughes ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-day.

On motion of Mr. Rhea,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be discharged from the consideration of the petitions of the inhabitants of the towns of St. George, Friendship, Cushing, and Thomastown, in the District of Maine.

Ordered, That Thomas Wilson, Nathaniel West, and Job Stansberry, have leave to withdraw their respective petitions.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a revised statement of the debt of the United States ; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill from the Senate, "for the relief of James Lloyd," was read the first time; and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-day.

On motion of Mr. William Reed,

Resolved, That the committee appointed on the 17th of March last, to inquire into the expediency and practicability of reform in the Naval Department, be, and are hereby, authorized and directed to act in the recess, and report at the next meeting of Congress; but the said committee shall receive no compensation for their services during the recess.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, this day, approve and sign,

“ An act to repeal an act, entitled ‘ An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States,’ and so much of any act or acts as prohibit the importation of goods, wares, and merchandise, of the growth, produce, or manufacture, of Great Britain or Ireland, or any of the colonies or dependencies thereof, or of any place or country in the actual possession of Great Britain ;” and,

“An act declaring the assent of Congress to an act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, therein mentioned.”

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. King, of Massachusetts:

Resolved, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be, and they are hereby, instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing an act passed on the second day of August, A. D. 1813, entitled 'An act to prohibit the use of licences or passes granted by the authority of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or of so modifying the said act as to permit licences granted by the authority of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland to be used under such regulations and restrictions as may be deemed expedient by the President of the United States.

The House proceeded to consider the said resolution:

And, on the question to agree to the same,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 49.
Nays 81.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.

Boyd,
Bradbury,
Breckenridge,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Chappell,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,

Mr. Ely,

Gaston,
Goldsborough,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of Md.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Miller,

Mr. Moffitt,

Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
William Reed,
Ridgely,
Ruggles,
Sheffey,
Smith, of N. H.

Mr. Smith, of N. Y.
Strong,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Tallmadge,

Mr. Thompson,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
Wheaton,

Mr. White,
Wilcox,
Winter,
Wright.

Those who voted in the negative are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Bard,
Barnett,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Clark,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Cuthbert,
Davis, of Penn.
Desha,
Duvall,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Ver.
Forney,

Mr. Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hasbrouck,
Hawes,
Hawkins,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Irving,
Irwin,
Johnson, of Vir.
Johnson, of Ken.
Kennedy,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,

Mr. M'Coy,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Murfee,
Nelson,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Ringgold,
Roane,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Smith, of Vir.
Stanford,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree.

Mr. Caperton, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had presented to the President of the United States, for his approbation, the several enrolled bills the examination of which was reported yesterday.

Mr. Caperton also reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "to revive, and continue in force, an act declaring the assent of Congress to certain acts of the States of Maryland and Georgia;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled: On which,

The Speaker signed the said bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have postponed, until the first Monday in December next, the bill "for the relief of Henry Malcolm;" and they have passed the bill "confirming certain claims to land in the Illinois Territory, and providing for their location," with amendments. The Senate have also passed a bill "in further addition to an act, entitled 'An act more effectually to provide for the national defence by establishing an uniform militia throughout the United States;" also, a bill "to lessen the compensation for Marshals, Clerks, and Attorneys, in certain cases therein mentioned;" in which bills and amendments they ask the concurrence of this House. The President of the United States did, on the 13th instant, approve and sign

"An act to incorporate a company for the purpose of supplying Georgetown with water;"

"An act for the relief of David Porter, his officers and crews;"

"An act for the relief of Joseph Brevard."

An engrossed bill authorizing the purchase of the vessels captured on Lake Erie, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act authorizing the purchase of the vessels captured on Lake Erie."

An engrossed bill allowing compensation for horses owned by militia or volunteers, and killed or lost in the service of the United States, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act allowing compensation for horses owned by

militia or volunteers, and killed or lost in the service of the United States ;” and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The bill from the Senate, “authorizing an augmentation of the marine corps, and for other purposes,” was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The bill from the Senate “to authorize the appointment of certain officers for the flotilla service,” was read the third time, and passed.”

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the report of the Committee of Claims on the petition of John Pitchlyn ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. King, of North Carolina, reported that the committee had had the said report under consideration, and agreed to the resolution therein contained, amended to read as follows :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted.

The said resolution was again read and concurred in by the House, and recommitted to the Committee of Claims, for the purpose of reporting a bill conformably thereto.

On motion of Mr. Fisk, of Vermont,

The several orders of the day were postponed until to-morrow : And,

On motion of Mr. Fisk, of Vermont,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the Judicial system as to give the Courts of the United States exclusive jurisdiction in all cases arising under the revenue laws ; and that they report by bill, or otherwise.

Mr. Fisk, of Vermont, Mr. Grundy, Mr. Ingersoll, Mr. Grosvenor, and Mr. Gaston, were appointed the said committee.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Comptroller of the Treasury, transmitting his report on the petition of Sarah Wheaton ; which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

And then the House adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 1814.

Mr. Gaston, from the committee appointed on the 13th instant, to present a resolution to the President of the United States, reported that the committee had performed the duty assigned to them ; and that the President answered, that the subject of the resolution should receive his attention.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill making additional appropriations for the service of the year 1814 ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-day.

The bill from the Senate, “to lessen the compensation for marshals, clerks, and attorneys, in the cases therein mentioned,” was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-day.

The bill from the Senate, “in further addition to an act, entitled ‘An act more effectually to provide for the national defence by establishing an uniform militia throughout the United States,’ ” was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and referred to the committee for revising the militia laws.

The amendments proposed by the Senate to the bill “confirming certain claims to land in the Illinois Territory, and providing for their locations,” were read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to amend the act, entitled “An act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise, and for other purposes ;” and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-day.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House, to whom was committed the bill from the Senate, “fixing the salary of the Paymaster of the Army of the United States, and allowing a sum for the employment of additional clerks in his office for the year 1814, and providing for the appointment of assistant district paymasters,” and that the said bill be committed to the Committee of the Whole House to whom was committed the bill of this House to augment the compensation of the Accountant of the War Department and of the Paymaster General.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have concurred in the amendment of this House to the bill "authorizing an augmentation of the Marine Corps, and for other purposes."

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate for the relief of Israel Thorndike ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

A motion was then made by Mr. M'Kim, that the said bill do lie on the table.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Calhoun, that the said bill be postponed indefinitely. When,

A motion was made by Mr. Gholson, that the said bill do lie on the table.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The question was then taken on the motion to postpone the said bill indefinitely,

And passed in the affirmative.

An engrossed bill making additional appropriations for the service of the year 1814 was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act making additional appropriations for the service of the year 1814."

An engrossed bill to amend the act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise, and for other purposes, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act to amend the act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise, and for other purposes," and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the consideration of the report of the Committee of Claims on the memorial of the Governors of the New York Hospital.

On motion of Mr. Ingersoll,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the consideration of the bill prescribing the mode of authenticating the public acts, records, and judicial proceedings, of the several States, and for declaring the effect of certain judicial proceedings.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill establishing the permanent residence of the Attorney General of the United States at the Seat of the General Government ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto ; which were read : When,

A motion was made by Mr. Potter, that the said bill be postponed indefinitely.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

The amendments of the Committee of the Whole were then concurred in by the House.

The said bill was then further amended in the House.

A motion was made by Mr. King, of Massachusetts, further to amend the said bill by striking out the word "permanently," in the fourth line of the first section, and to insert the words "during the sessions of Congress and of the Supreme Court of the United States."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-day.

Mr. Caperton, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the Committee had examined an enrolled bill "authorizing an augmentation of the Marine Corps, and for other purposes ;" also, a bill "authorizing the appointment of certain officers for the flotilla service ;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled : On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, sup-

press insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes," with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of this House.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Ordered, That the order of the day on the bill "to incorporate the Stockholders of the National Bank," be postponed indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the consideration of the report of the Committee of Claims on the petition of Zachariah Roberts.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of John D. Hay ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Breckenridge reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to augment the compensation of the Accountant of the War Department, and of the Paymaster General ; and on the bill from the Senate "fixing the salary of the Paymaster of the Army of the United States, and allowing a sum for the employment of additional clerks in his office for the year 1814, and providing for the appointment of Assistant District Paymasters ;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stanford reported that the committee had had the last mentioned bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto, and had not acted on the first mentioned bill.

The House proceeded to consider the said report, and the amendments being again read, were concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the bill read the third time to-morrow.

The remaining orders of the day were further postponed until to-morrow.

And the House adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 1814.

Mr. Johnson, of Kentucky, presented a petition of Daniel Landon, of the State of Ohio, praying compensation for property destroyed by the enemy at Fort Wayne, in the year 1812.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of Margaret Hynum, of the Mississippi Territory, praying to be confirmed in her title to a tract of land in that Territory.

Ordered, That the said petition do lie on the table.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of Lewis Sewall and Samuel Smith, Register and Receiver at the land office at St. Stephens, in the Mississippi Territory, praying to be allowed their expenses incurred in removing the public records, papers, and moneys, in their possession, to a place of safety.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

Mr. Archer, from the Committee of Claims, reported a bill for the relief of John Pitchlyn ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-day.

On motion of Mr. Archer,

Ordered, That the Committee of Claims be discharged from the several petitions and documents referred to them during the present session of Congress, and which they have not yet acted on.

On motion of Mr. Robertson,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Public Lands be discharged from the several petitions and documents referred to them during the present session of Congress, and which they have not yet acted on.

Mr. Fisk, of Vermont, from the committee appointed on the 14th instant, reported a bill providing for the removal of causes in certain cases therein specified, and for other purposes ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time ; and,

A motion was made by Mr. Gaston, that the said bill be postponed indefinitely.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Potter, that the said bill do lie on the table.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-day.

Mr. Taylor, from the Committee for Revising the Militia Laws, reported the bill from the Senate, "in further addition to an act, entitled "An act more effectually to provide for the national defence by establishing an uniform militia throughout the United States," with amendments; which were read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the bill read the third time to-day.

The amendments proposed by the Senate to the bill in addition to the act, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes," were read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. Johnson, of Kentucky.

Resolved, That the Committee of Accounts be, and they are hereby, authorized to pay to Elextius Spalding, George N. Thomas, Richard Stewart, Isaac Phillips, and George Cooper, one dollar and fifty cents per day, for their attendance on the House of Representatives during the present session of Congress, as the entire compensation for their services; and that Oswald Dunn be allowed for his services one hundred dollars.

The said resolution was read, and referred to the Committee of Accounts.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "granting pensions to officers and seamen serving on board the revenue cutters, in certain cases;" also, the bill "concerning the pay of officers, seamen, and marines, in the Navy of the United States;" with an amendment to each, in which they desire the concurrence of this House. The Senate have passed the bill "for the relief of Archibald McCall."

An engrossed bill for the relief of John D. Hay was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of John D. Hay."

An engrossed bill establishing the permanent residence of the Attorney General of the United States at the seat of the General Government was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act establishing the permanent residence of the Attorney General of the United States at the seat of the General Government;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bills to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The bill from the Senate, "fixing the salary of the Paymaster of the Army of the United States, and allowing a sum for the employment of additional clerks in his office for the year 1814, and providing for the appointment of assistant district paymasters," was read the third time, as amended, and passed.

The bill from the Senate, "in further addition to an act, entitled "An act more effectually to provide for the national defence by establishing an uniform militia throughout the United States" was read the third time, as amended, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate, "providing for the distribution of money paid into the courts of the United States; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be read the third time to-day.

The said bill was, accordingly, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Caperton, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, yesterday, present to the President of the United States, the enrolled bills, the examination of which was reported on the same day.

Mr. Caperton also reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill "confirming certain claims to land in the Illinois Territory, and proving for their locations," and had found the same to be truly enrolled; On which,

The Speaker signed the said bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the bill for the relief of George Hamilton; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-day.

On motion of Mr. Ingersoll,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the consideration of the bill supplementary to the act, entitled "An act regulating the Post-office establishment."

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "fixing the time for the next meeting of Congress." The Senate have concurred in the amendments proposed by this House to the bill "fixing the salary of the Paymaster of the Army of the United States, and allowing a sum for the employment of additional clerks in his office for the year 1814, and providing for the appointment of assistant district Paymasters;" also, in the amendments of the bill "in further addition to an act, entitled 'An act more effectually to provide for the national defence, by establishing an uniform militia throughout the United States.'"

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the engrossed bill authorizing the payment for property captured or destroyed while in the public service by the enemy of the United States; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered. That the said bill do lie on the table.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of John Whitney and Joseph H. Dorr; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-day.

An engrossed bill for the relief of George Hamilton was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of George Hamilton;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "to alter and establish certain post-roads," with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of this House : They have also passed the bill "for the relief of John P. Williams and Thomas Rice."

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill to revive and continue in force "An act declaring the consent of Congress to an act of the state of Georgia, passed the 12th day of December, 1804, establishing the fees of the harbor master and health officer of the ports of Savannah and St. Mary's;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stanford reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto; which was read : When,

On motion of Mr. Pitkin,

Ordered, That the said bill do lie on the table.

A message in writing was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, as follows :

To the House of Representatives of the United States :

I transmit to the House of Representatives a report of the Secretary of State, complying with their resolution of the 13th instant.

JAMES MADISON.

APRIL 16, 1814.

The said message was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate "for the relief of James Lloyd;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Pleasants reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be read the third time to-day.

The said bill was accordingly read the third time; and,

On motion of Mr. Forsyth,

Ordered, That the said bill be postponed indefinitely.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The President of the United States did this day approve and sign,

"An act authorizing the appointment of certain officers for the flotilla service;"

"An act authorizing an augmentation of the Marine Corps, and for other purposes;"

"An act to revive, and continue in force, "An act declaring the assent of Congress to certain acts of the States of Maryland and Georgia."

An engrossed bill for the relief of John Whitney and Joseph Dorr was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act for the relief of John Whitney and Joseph H. Dorr;" and that the Clerk do carry the said bill to the Senate and desire their concurrence therein.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting his report on the petition of John T. Courtney and Samuel Harrison; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The amendments of the Senate to the bill "granting pensions to the officers and seamen serving on board the revenue cutters, in certain cases," were read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The amendments of the Senate to the bill "concerning the pay of the officers, seamen, and marines, in the Navy of the United States," were read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The amendments of the Senate to the bill "to alter and establish certain post roads" were read, and concurred in by the House, with an amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "for the relief of Augustus M'Kinney and Layzel Bancroft;" also, the bill "for the relief of Jervis Cutler." They have also passed the bill "authorizing the purchase of the vessels captured on lake Erie," with amendments, in which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said amendments were read, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-day.

The House then resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the said amendments; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kennedy reported that the committee had had the said amendments under consideration, and agreed thereto.

The said amendments were then again read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate "to lessen the compensation of the Clerks, Marshals, and Attorneys, in certain courts;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendments thereto.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ingersoll to amend the bill by striking out the following words: "*or Pennsylvania.*"

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the said bill be read the third time to-day.

The said bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed the bill "concerning invalid pensioners;" also, the bill "making additional appropriations for the service of the year 1814," with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of this House. The Senate have concurred in the amendment of this House to their amendments to the bill "to alter and establish certain post roads." The Senate have passed the bill "for the relief of George Hamilton;" also, the bill "for the relief of Dennis Clarke;" and the bill "for the relief of George W. Crowninshield."

The amendments of the Senate to the bill "concerning invalid pensioners," were read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The amendments of the Senate to the bill "making additional appropriations for the service of the year 1814," were read, and, together with the bill, recommitted to the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Wright,

Resolved unanimously That the Clerk of this House pay to the representatives of George W. Lindsay, deceased, late a Clerk in his office, the sum of one hundred dollars, out of the contingent fund, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of his funeral.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill from the Senate "to incorporate the Directors of the Washington Library Company;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made an amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be read the third time to-day.

The said bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Stanford,

Ordered, That the remaining orders of the day, except the bill for the relief of John Pitchlyn, and the bill providing for the removal of causes in certain cases therein specified, and for other purposes, be postponed until Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the bill for the relief of John Pitchlyn; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. King reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-day.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Otis, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "to amend the act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise, and for other purposes," with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of this House. The Senate have passed the bill "authorizing a subscription to the laws of the United States, and providing for their distribution;" also, the bill "to provide for the collection and preservation of such flags, standards, and colors, as shall have been, or may hereafter be, taken by the land and naval forces of the United States from their enemies;" and the bill "extending relief to certain purchasers of public lands in the Mississippi Territory."

Mr. Caperton, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had presented to the President of the United States the enrolled bill, the examination of which was reported to-day.

Mr. Caperton, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined several enrolled bills, entitled,

"An act for the relief of Jervis Cutler;"

"An act for the relief of Augustus M'Kinney, and Layzel Bancroft;"

"An act to fix the time for the next meeting of Congress;"

"An act for the relief of John P. Williamson and Thomas Rice;"

"An act for the relief of Archibald M'Call;"

"An act concerning the pay of the officers, seamen, and marines, in the Navy of the United States;"

"An act granting pensions to officers and seamen serving on board the revenue cutters, in certain cases;"

An act fixing the salary of the Paymaster of the Army of the United States, and allowing a sum for the employment of additional Clerks in his office for the year 1814, and providing for the appointment of Assistant District Paymasters;"

"An act in further addition to an act, entitled 'An act more effectually to provide for the national defence, by establishing an uniform Militia throughout the United States;"

"An act providing for the distribution of money paid into the courts of the United States;"

"An act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to provide for calling forth the Militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions,' and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled: On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill authorizing the payment for property captured or destroyed while in the public service, by the enemy of the United States: Whereupon,

The said bill was recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House to-day.

The House then again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the said bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Lewis reported that the committee had had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments thereto.

And then the House adjourned until Monday morning ten o'clock.

MONDAY, APRIL 18, 1814.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Turner, their Secretary, pro tempore :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed a bill "to authorize the Secretary of State to liquidate certain claims therein mentioned," in which they ask the concurrence of this House : The Senate have also passed the bill "concerning certificates of confirmation of claims to the lands in the State of Louisiana," with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of this House. The Senate have also passed a bill "making an appropriation for repairing the President's house," in which they also ask the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Archer presented a petition of one hundred and sixty American citizens, confined as prisoners of war, in the town of Nassau, in the British Island of New Providence, praying that measures may be taken to effect their release.

Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Commissary General of Prisoners.

Mr. Lattimore presented a petition of Edwin Lewis, of the Mississippi Territory, praying to be paid for a quantity of timber taken from his land by a detachment of United States' troops.

Ordered, That the said petition do lie on the table.

Mr. Eppes, from the Committee of Ways and Means, made a report on the petition of Dominicius Cutts ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to *withdraw* his petition.

Mr. Eppes, from the same committee, made a report on the amendments made by the Senate to the bill "making additional appropriations for the service of the year 1814," which was read, and, together with the said amendments, committed to a committee of Whole House to-day.

Mr. Moore, from the Committee of Accounts, to whom was referred the resolution submitted on Saturday last, on the subject of the compensations of the attendants of the House, made a report ; which was read, and the resolution therein contained was concurred in by the House, amended to read as follows :

Resolved, That the following named persons, employed by the doorkeeper to aid him in the execution of the duties of his office, to wit : Elexius Spalding, Richard Stewart, George N. Thomas, Isaac Phillips, Oswald Dunn, and George Cooper, be, and they are hereby, allowed two dollars per day during the present session, and for four days after the same. And that, for the service of three horses which have been employed in the service of the House, there be allowed one dollar per day each, during the same time, which shall be the entire compensation for the above services : and that the same be paid out of the fund appropriated for the contingent expenses of this House.

The House resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of Saturday last : Whereupon,

Ordered, That the said unfinished business do lie on the table.

The amendments proposed by the Senate to the bill "to amend the act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise, and for other purposes," were read and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The amendments proposed by the Senate to the bill "concerning certificates of confirmation of claims to lands in the State of Louisiana," were read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The bill from the Senate, "making an appropriation for repairing the President's House," was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the amendments of the Senate to the bill "making additional appropriations for the service of the year 1814."

The bill from the Senate, "to authorize the Secretary of State to liquidate certain claims therein mentioned," was read the first time ; and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be read the third time to-day.

The said bill was read the third time accordingly and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the amendments proposed by the Senate to the bill "making additional appropriations for the service of the year 1814," and on the bill from the Senate "making an appropriation for repairing the President's house ;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker

Mr. Johnson, of Ky.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Lean,
Miller,
Montgomery,
Moore,
Nelson,
Oakley,
Ormsby,
Parker,

Mr. Pearson,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Potter,
Rea, of Pa.
Rhea, of Ten.
Ridgely,
Roane,
Robertson,

Mr. Ruggles,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sheffey,
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Vir.
Strong,
Tallmadge,
Tannehill,

Mr. Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Vose,
Ward, of Mass.
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Ordered, That the resolution submitted by Mr Nelson do lie on the table.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, on this day, approve and sign,

"An act confirming certain claims to land in the Illinois Territory, and providing for their location ;"

"An act for the relief of Archibald M'Call ;"

"An act for the relief of John P. Williamson and Thomas Rice ;"

"An act for the relief of Augustus M'Kinney and Layzel Bancroft ;"

"An act for the relief of Jervis Cutler ;"

"An act concerning the pay of the officers, seamen, and marines, in the Navy of the United States ;"

"An act granting pensions to the officers and seamen serving on board of the revenue cutters, in certain cases ;"

"An act fixing the time for the next meeting of Congress ;"

"An act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repeal invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes.'"

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Turner, their Secretary, pro tempore:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill "for the relief of John D. Hay ;" and they have postponed, until the first Monday in December next, the bill "to authorize the sub-division of the quarter sections of the land of the United States." The President of the United States did, this day, approve and sign,

"An act fixing the salary of the Paymaster of the Army of the United States, and allowing a sum for the employment of additional clerks in his office, for the year 1814, and providing for the appointment of assistant district Paymasters ;"

"An act directing the disposition of money paid into the Courts of the United States ;"

"An act in further addition to an act, entitled 'An act more effectually to provide for the national defence by establishing an uniform militia throughout the United States.'"

On motion of Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee,

Ordered, That the petition of Richard Mitchell, together with the documents relating to the same, be referred to the Comptroller of the Treasury, and that he be, and hereby is, directed to report on the same to this House, at the next session of Congress.

On motion of Mr. Rhea, of Tennessee,

Ordered, That John B. Walbach have leave to withdraw his petition and documents, presented on the 3d of December, 1804.

The following resolution was submitted by Mr. Miller for consideration:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the causes of the failure of the arms of the United States on the Northern and Northwestern frontier, and that the said committee have leave to sit during the recess of this House, and have power to send for persons and papers.

And, on the question, that the House do proceed to consider the same,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 29,
 { Nays 68.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Bradbury,
Bradley,
Cooper,
Gaston,

Mr. Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hale,
Hall,

Mr. Hanson,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Lewis,

Mr. Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Vose,
White,
Wilcox.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Bard,
Beall,
Bowen,
Butler,
Caperton,
Calhoun,
Cilley,
Clark,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Culpeper,
Davis, of Pa.
Desha,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vermont,

Mr. Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Harris,
Hawes,
Hawkins,
Humphreys,
Irving,
Johnson, of Ky.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kilbourn,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M Coy,
M'Lean,

Mr. Moore,
Nelson,
Ormsby,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Roane,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Turner, their Secretary, pro tempore :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have receded from their amendments disagreed to by this House to the bill "making additional appropriations for the service of the year 1814." The Senate have passed the bill "for the renewal of a land warrant to George Shannon," with an amendment, in which they ask the concurrence of this House. The Senate have also passed the bill "for the relief of John Whitney and Joseph H. Dorr;" also, the bill "for the relief of John Pitchlyn;" and the bill "granting to the President and Directors of the New Orleans Navigation Company, and their successors, a lot of ground." The Senate have postponed, until the first Monday in December next, the bill "for the relief of the officers and soldiers who served in the late campaign on the Wabash."

The House resumed the consideration of the bill from the Senate "to fix the compensations of the Clerks employed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate, and of the Clerk of the House of Representatives : " Whereupon,

The said bill was read the third time.

And, on the question that the same do pass,

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| It passed in the affirmative, | { | Yeas | 48, |
| | | Nays | 47. |

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Anderson,
Bowen,
Bradbury,
Caperton,
Comstock,
Davis, of Pa.
Desha,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Ver.
Forsyth,
Geddes,

Mr. Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Grundy,
Hale,
Harris,
Hawkins,
Humphreys,
*Irving,
Irwin,
Johnson, of Ky.
Kennedy,

Mr. Kent, of Md.
Kilbourn,
Lewis,
Lowndes,
M'Kim,
Miller,
Moore,
Ormsby,
Pickens,
Pleasants,
Rhea, of Tenn.
Ridgely,

Mr. Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sevier,
Seybert,

Mr. Sherwood,
Smith, of N. Y.
Smith, of Va.
Taylor,

Mr. Vose,
White,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Archer,
Bard,
Beall,
Butler,
Calhoun,
Cilley,
Clopton,
Condict,
Cooper,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Eppes,
Franklin,
Gaston,

Mr. Goldsborough,
Griffin,
Grosvenor,
Hall,
Hanson,
Hawes,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kerr,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lovett,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Lean,

Mr. Nelson,
Oakley,
Parker,
Pearson,
Piper,
Potter,
Rea, of Pa.
Roane,
Sage,
Sharp,
Sheffey,
Stanford,
Strong,
Tannehill,
Wilcox.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Condict,

Ordered That Sarah Wheaton have leave to withdraw her petition and documents.

The amendment proposed by the Senate to the bill for the renewal of a land warrant to George Shannon, was read, and concurred in by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Eppes,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed, to join such committee as may be appointed by the Senate, to wait upon the President of the United States, and inform him of the proposed recess of Congress.

Mr. Eppes, Mr. Robertson, and Mr. Oakley, were appointed of the said committee on the part of this House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Caperton, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined several enrolled bills, entitled,

"An act extending relief to certain purchasers of public lands in the Mississippi Territory ;"

"An act for the relief of George Hamilton ;"

"An act authorizing a subscription for the laws of the United States, and for the distribution thereof ;"

"An act authorizing the purchase of the vessels captured on Lake Erie ;"

"An act to provide for the collection and preservation of such flags, standards, and colors, as shall have been, or may hereafter be, taken by the land and naval forces of the United States, from their enemies ;"

"An act to alter and establish certain post roads ;"

"An act concerning invalid pensioners ;"

"An act for the relief of Benjamin W. Crowninshield ;"

"An act for the relief of Dennis Clark ;"

"An act to lessen the compensation of Marshals, Clerks, and Attorneys, in the cases therein mentioned ;"

"An act to incorporate the Directors of the Washington Library ;"

"An act to authorize the Secretary of State to liquidate certain claims therein mentioned ;"

"An act for the relief of John Pitchlyn ;"

"An act making additional appropriations for the service of the year 1814 ;"

"An act for the renewal of a land warrant to George Shannon ;"

"An act granting to the President and Directors of the New Orleans Navigation Company, and their successors, a lot of ground ;"

"An act to fix the compensation of the Clerks employed in the offices of the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives ;"

"An act to amend the act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise, and for other purposes ;"

"An act supplemental to an act, entitled "An act for ascertaining the titles and claims to lands in that part of Louisiana which lies East of the river Mississippi and island of New Orleans ;"

"An act concerning certificates of confirmation of claims to lands in the State of Louisiana ;"

"An act for the relief of John D. Hay ;"

"An act for the relief of John Whitney and Joseph H. Dorr ;" and had found the same to be truly enrolled : On which,

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Caperton, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had presented to the President of the United States, for his approbation, the several enrolled bills, the examination of which was last reported.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Turner, their Secretary pro tempore :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have concurred in the appointment of a joint committee to notify the President of the proposed recess of Congress. In the absence of the Vice President, the Senate have elected John Gaillard their President pro tempore. The Senate have postponed, until the first Monday in December next, the following bills, which originated in this House, to wit :

Supplementary to the act, entitled "An act to provide for the widows and orphans of militia slain, and for militia disabled in the service of the United States ;"

Authorizing the President of the United States to cause certain parts of the coast of the United States to be surveyed ;

Authorizing the Secretary of State, during the continuance of the present war, to make an additional allowance to the owners and masters of vessels, for bringing back to the United States, destitute and distressed American seamen ;

Incorporating the Columbian Manufacturing Company of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia ;

Authorizing the appointment of agents for paying military pensions.

I am directed to inform this House, that the President of the United States has approved and signed the following acts, which originated in the Senate, to wit :

"An act to lessen the compensation of marshals, clerks, and attorneys, in the cases therein mentioned ;"

"An act to incorporate the Directors of the Washington Library Company ;"

"An act to authorize the Secretary of State to liquidate certain claims therein mentioned ;"

"An act to fix the compensation of the clerks employed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives."

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President had approved and signed the following acts, to wit :

"An act extending relief to certain purchasers of public lands, in the Mississippi Territory ;"

"An act for the relief of George Hamilton ;"

"An act authorizing a subscription for the laws of the United States, and for the distribution thereof ;"

"An act authorizing the purchase of the vessels captured on Lake Erie ;"

"An act to provide for the collection and preservation of such flags, standards, and colors, as shall have been, or may hereafter be, taken by the land and naval forces of the United States, from their enemies ;"

"An act to alter and establish certain post roads ;"

"An act concerning invalid pensioners ;"

"An act for the relief of Benjamin W. Crowninshield ;"

"An act for the relief of Dennis Clark ;"

"An act for the relief of John Pitchlyn ;"

"An act making additional appropriations for the service of the year 1814 ;"

"An act for the renewal of a land warrant to George Shannon ;"

"An act granting to the President and Directors of the New Orleans Navigation Company, and their successors, a lot of ground ;"

"An act to amend the act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise, and for other purposes ;"

"An act supplemental to an act, entitled "An act for ascertaining the titles and claims to lands in that part of Louisiana which lies East of the river Mississippi and Island of New Orleans ;"

“An act concerning certificates of confirmation of claims to lands in the State of Louisiana;”

“An act for the relief of John D. Hay;”

“An act for the relief of John Whitney, and Joseph H. Dorr.”

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Eppes, from the committee appointed to wait on the President of the United States, reported that the committee had performed the duty assigned to them, and that the President answered that he had no farther communication to make to Congress.

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate, to inform them that this House, having completed the business before them, are ready to adjourn, and that the Clerk do go with the said message.

The Clerk accordingly went with the said message, and having returned,

The Speaker adjourned the House until the last Monday in October next.

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Of such proceedings of the Second Session of the Thirteenth Congress, as, during the time they were depending, were ordered to be kept secret, and respecting which the injunction of secrecy was afterwards taken off by order of the House.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1813.

The following message, in writing, was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary :

[CONFIDENTIAL.]

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States :

The tendency of our commercial and navigation laws, in their present state, to favor the enemy, and thereby prolong the war, is more and more developed by experience. Supplies of the most essential kinds, find their way, not only to British ports and British armies at a distance ; but the armies in our neighborhood, with which our own are contending, derive from our ports and outlets a subsistence attainable with difficulty, if at all, from other sources. Even the fleets and troops infesting our coasts and waters, are, by like supplies, accommodated and encouraged in their predatory and incursive warfare.

Abuses, having a like tendency, take place in our import trade. British fabrics and products find their way into our ports, under the name and from the ports of other countries ; and often in British vessels, disguised as neutrals, by false colors and papers.

To these abuses it may be added, that illegal importations are openly made, with advantage to the violators of the law, produced by undervaluations or other circumstances involved in the course of the judicial proceedings against them.

It is found, also, that the practice of ransoming is a cover for collusive captures, and a channel for intelligence advantageous to the enemy.

To remedy, as much as possible, these evils, I recommend :

That an effectual embargo on exports be immediately enacted.

That all articles, known to be derived, either not at all, or in any immaterial degree only, from the productions of any other country than Great Britain, and particularly the extensive articles made of wool and cotton materials, and ardent spirits made from the cane, be expressly and absolutely prohibited, from whatever port or place, or in whatever vessels, the same may be brought into the United States : and that all violations of the non-importation act be subjected to adequate penalties.

That, among the proofs of the neutral and national character of foreign vessels, it be required that the masters and supercargoes, and three-fourths at least of the crews, be citizens or subjects of the country under whose flag the vessels sail.

That all persons concerned in collusive captures by the enemy, or in ransoming vessels or their cargoes from the enemy, be subjected to adequate penalties.

To shorten, as much as possible, the duration of the war, it is indispensable that the enemy should feel all the pressure that can be given to it ; and the restraints having that tendency, will be borne with the greater cheerfulness by all good citizens ; as the restraints will affect those most, who are most ready to sacrifice the interest of their country, in pursuit of their own.

JAMES MADISON.

DECEMBER 9, 1813.

The said message was read, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. The doors were then opened.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House have leave to sit again.
The House then adjourned with closed doors.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1813.

The order of the day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House, on the bill laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States, was called for : On which,

A motion was made by Mr. Oakley, that the said order be postponed until Monday next.

And the question been taken,

And was determined in the negative, { Yeas 45.
Nays 70,

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.

Bigelow,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Dewey,
Duvall,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes.

Mr. Grosvenor,

Hanson,
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Miller,
Moffit,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,

Mr. John Reed,

Ruggles,
Schureman,
Shipherd,
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart
Thompson,
Vose,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,

Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Barnett,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Calhoun,
Cheves,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Davis, of Pa.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin.

Mr. Gholson,

Glasgow,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,

Mr. M'Lean,

Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Rich,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Yancey.

The House then resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the said bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Nelson reported that the committee had again had the said bill under consideration, and made amendments therein; which were delivered in at the Clerk's table, where they were again read, and concurred in by the House.

A motion was made by Mr. Gaston, to strike out the 4th section of the said bill, and in lieu thereof to insert :

SEC. 4. That the Collectors of the Customs be, and they are hereby, authorized and required to grant a general permission to vessels or boats whose employment has uniformly been confined to the navigation of bays, sounds, rivers, or lakes, within the jurisdiction of the United States, to take on board, at any time, any articles of domestic or foreign growth, bond with one or more sureties being previously given to the United States by the owner or owners, consignees, or factors, of such vessel or boat, in an amount equal to one hundred dollars for each ton of said vessel, that such vessel shall not, during the continuance of this act, depart from any district of the United States without having previously obtained a clearance, nor until the master or commander shall have delivered to the collector or surveyor of the port of departure a manifest of the whole cargo on board; and that such vessel shall not, during the continuance of this act, be in any manner engaged in a violation of this act.

And the question being taken,

It passed in the negative, { Yeas 51,
 { Nays 80.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.

Bigelow,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Chappell,
Cheves,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Creighton,
Dewey,
Duvall,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,

Mr. Hanson,

Hufty,
Hungerford,
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Miller,
Moffit,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,

Mr. Pitkin,

Post,
John Reed,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Shureman,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Vose,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Penn.
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,

Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.

Mr. Fisk, of N. Y.

Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,

Mr. Moore,

Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Roberts,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Vir.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wright,
Yancey.

A motion was then made by Mr. Stockton, to strike out the first section of the bill. And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas, 52,
Nays. 83.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.

Bigelow,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cheves,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Dewey,
Duvall,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hanson,
Hufty,
Hungerford

Mr. Kent, of N. Y.

King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
M'Kee,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,

Mr. John Reed,

Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Talmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,

Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Davis, of Penn.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Eppes,
Farrow,

Mr. Findley,

Fisk, of Vermont,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Lefferts,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moore,
Murfree,

Mr. Nelson,

Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright,
Yancey.

Another motion was made by Mr. Grosvenor, to amend the bill in the 13th section, by striking out the words, "or such instructions as the President may give, and such rules as he may prescribe for that purpose, made in pursuance of the powers aforesaid, which instructions and rules the Collectors shall be bound to obey;" and to insert, in lieu thereof, the words, "the laws of the United States."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 56,
{ Nays 80.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.

Bigelow,
Boyd,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cheves,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Davenport,
Dewey,
Duvall,
Ely,
Farrow,
Gaston,
Grosvenor,
Hanson,
Hufty,

Mr. Hungerford,

Jackson, of R. I.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
M'Kee,
Miller,
Moffit,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
John Reed,

Mr. Ruggles,

Schureman,
Sheffey,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. H.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Wilson, of Penn.
Winter,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,

Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Eppes,
Findley,

Mr. Fisk, of Ver.

Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Irving,
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moore,

Mr. Murfree,

Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wright,

A motion was made by Mr. Grosvenor, to amend the bill by inserting, in the 1st section, after the words "sea stores," the following: "employed in whole or in part by the Government, or in whole or in part for public purposes."

And the question being taken,

It passed in the negative, { Yeas 45,
 { Nays 88.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.

Bigelow,
Boyd,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,

Cilley,

Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Dewey,

Ely,

Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hanson,
Jackson, of R. I.

**Mr. Kent, of N. York,
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Miller,
Moseley,
Oakley,
Pearson,**

**Mr. Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
John Reed,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. York,
Stanford,**

**Mr. Stockton,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Winter.**

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Cheves,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Findley,

Mr. Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Kennedy,
Kent, of Maryland,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Montgomery,

Mr. Moore,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Smith, of Va.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright,
Yancey.

Mr. Pitkin moved to amend the bill, by striking out the following words in the 12th section of the bill: "or when in vessels, carts, wagons, or in any manner apparently on their way towards the territory of a foreign nation, or the vicinity thereof."

And the question being taken,

And the question being taken,
It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 50,
Nays 83.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Dewey,
Ely,
Gaston,

**Mr. Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hanson,
Hufty,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law;
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moseley,
Markell,**

Mr. Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,
John Reed,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,

**Mr. Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,**

**Mr. Vose,
Wheaton,
White,**

Mr. Wilcox,
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Cheves,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Duvall,
Farrow,
Findley,

Mr. Fisk, of Vermont,
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kee,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moore.

Mr. Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. Jersey,
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Penn.
Wright,
Yancey.

A motion was made by Mr. Stockton, to amend the bill, by adding to the 12th section the following proviso :

Provided, That no part of the land or naval forces, or militia of the United States, or of the territories thereof, shall be employed by any person to enforce any of the provisions of this act, unless a previous certificate shall be given by two magistrates of the State where such provision is to be enforced, that the civil authorities were incompetent to enforce the same, and that it is necessary to employ the military or naval force.

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 51,
 { Nays 77.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cheves,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Dewey,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hanson,

Mr. Hufty,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,

Mr. Post,
John Reed,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Bowen,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Calhoun,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of N. Y.

Mr. Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,
McLean,
Moore,

Mr. Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Roberts,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wright,
Yancey.

A motion was made by Mr. Grosvenor to amend the bill by striking out from the 12th section all that occurs after the words "shall have been given," to the end of the section, and to insert the following words: "in double the value of the goods so seized, that the same shall not be exported or disposed of contrary to any of the provisions of this act."

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made that the House do now adjourn,

And the question being taken,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 48,
Nays 73.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Ely,
Farrow,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hanson,

Mr. Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King of Mas.
King of N. C.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,

Mr. Post,
John Reed,
Ruggles,
Seybert,
Sheffey,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,

Mr. Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,

Mr. Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,

Mr. Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Ten:
Rich,
Roberts,
Sage,
Sevier,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wright,
Yancey.

Mr. Fisk, of Vermont,
Fisk, of New York,
Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,

Mr. Ingham,
Irwin,
Kennedy,
Kent, of Maryland,
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of N. C.
Lowndes,
Lyle,
McCoy,
McKee,
McKim,
Moore,

Mr. Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier,

Mr. Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. Jer.
Whitehill,
Wright,
Yancey.

A motion was made by Mr. Grosvenor to amend the bill in the 13th section, by striking out, in the last line thereof, the words "for his justification and defence," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "in such suit or action."

And, the question thereon being taken,

It passed in the negative, { Yeas, 45,
 { Nays, 75.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Boyd,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cheves,
Cilley,
Culpeper,
Dewey,
Duvall,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hanson,

Mr. Hufty,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Murfree,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,

Mr. Post,
John Reed,
Ruggles,
Sheffey,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Beall,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.

Mr. Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Kennedy,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
McCoy,
McKee,
McKim,
M'Lean,
Moore.

Mr. Nelson,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Rea, of Pen.
Rhea of Ten.
Rich,
Roberts,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

A motion was made by Mr. King to amend the said bill in the 4th section, by inserting, after the word "States," in the seventh line, the words, "or from one port in any State to another port in the same State."

And the question thereon being taken,

It passed in the negative.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read the third time to-day.

A motion was made by Mr. Oakley, that the House do come to the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to cause to be laid before this House the evidence in the possession of the Executive, that "supplies of the most essential kinds find their way from the ports of the United States" to the fleets and armies of the enemy.

Resolved, That the President be also requested to cause to be laid before this House the evidence in the possession of the Executive, that the "practice of ransoming" is made "a cover for collusive captures by the enemy."

And on the question that the House do now proceed to consider the said resolutions:

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas 54.
 { Nays 74.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.

Bigelow,
Boyd,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Chappell,
Cheves,
Cilley,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Dewey,
Duvall,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,

Mr. Hanson,

Hufty,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
McKee,
Miller,
Moffit,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,

Mr. John Reed,

Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Alexander,

Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Denoyelles,

Mr. Desha,

Eppes,
Farrow,
Findley,
Fisk, of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,

Mr. Kershaw,

King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lowndes,
Lyle,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Rea, of Pennl.,
Rhea, of Ten.
Rich,
Roberts,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,

Mr. Smith, of Penn.
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,

**Mr. Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,**

Mr. Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

The engrossed bill laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States, was read the third time.

And on the question that the said bill do pass?

It passed in the affirmative,

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|---|-------------|-----|
| { | Yeas, | 85, |
| { | Nays, | 57. |

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Bard,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,
Burwell,
Butler,
Caldwell,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Condict,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,
Crouch,
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Eppes,
Farrow,
Findley,

Mr. Fisk, of Ver.
Fisk, of N. Y.
Forney,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Glasgow,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Ingham,
Irwin,
Kennedy,
Kent of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,
King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lyle,
Macon,
M'Coy,
M'Kim,
M'Lean,
Moore,

Mr. Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickins,
Piper,
Rea, of Pa. .
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Roberts,
Robertson,
Sage,
Sevier, ,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Pa.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bigelow,
Boyd,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Champion,
Cheves,
Cilley,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Dewey,
Duvall,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor,
Hanson,

Mr. Hufty,
Hungerford,
Jackson, of R. I.
Kent of N. Y.
King, of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Lowndes,
M'Kee,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Montgomery,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,

Mr. Post,
John Reed,
Ruggles,
Schureman,
Sheffey,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Stuart,
Sturges,
Taggart,
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Thompson,
Vose,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Winter.

Ordered, That the title be, "An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States."

Mr. Grundy and Mr. Lewis were appointed a committee to carry the said bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence therein.

The doors were then opened.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1813.

Mr. Grundy, from the committee appointed to carry to the Senate the engrossed bill, entitled "An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States," reported that the committee did, on Monday last, perform the duty assigned to them.

The doors were then opened.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1813.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Bibb, of Georgia, and Mr. Bledsoe, a committee from that body.

Mr. Speaker: We are directed by the Senate to bring to this House the bill, entitled "An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States," which bill they have passed with sundry amendments, and in which we are directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The said amendments were read at the Clerk's table : On which,

The first of the said amendments was concurred in by the House.

And a motion was made by Mr. Pitkin to amend the second of the said amendments, by striking out these words: "*and which shall not have nor take on board, for the voyage, any citizen of the United States, except such as may produce a passport therefor, to be furnished under the authority and direction of the President of the United States.*"

And the question being taken,

And the question being taken,
It was determined in the negative, { Yeas ... 51,
Nays ... 89.

The yeas and nays being demanded by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Mr. Baylies, of Mass.
Bayly, of Va.
Bigelow,
Bradley,
Brigham,
Caperton,
Cilley,
Clark,
Cooper,
Cox,
Culpeper,
Davenport,
Dewey,
Ely,
Gaston,
Geddes,
Grosvenor.

Mr. Hufty,
Jackson, of R I.
Kent, of N. Y.
King of Mass.
Law,
Lewis,
Lovett,
Macon,
Miller,
Moffitt,
Moseley,
Markell,
Oakley,
Pearson,
Pickering,
Pitkin,
Post,

Mr. John Reed,
Robertson,
Ruggles,
Sheffey,
Shipherd,
Smith, of N. Y.
Stanford,
Stockton,
Sturges,
Taggart,
Tallmadge,
Thompson,
Vose,
Wheaton,
White,
Wilcox,
Winter.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

**Mr. Alexander,
Alston,
Anderson,
Archer,
Avery,
Barnett,
Beall,
Bowen,
Bradley,
Brown,**

Mr. Burwell,
Butler,
Calhoun,
Chappell,
Cheves,
Clopton,
Comstock,
Conard,
Crawford,
Creighton,

Mr. Crouch,
Davis, of Penn.
Dawson,
Denoyelles,
Desha,
Eppes,
Findley,
Fisk of Vt.
Fisk, of N. Y
Forney,

Mr. Forsyth,
Franklin,
Gholson,
Goodwyn,
Gourdin,
Griffin,
Grundy,
Hall,
Harris,
Hubbard,
Humphreys,
Hungerford,
Ingersoll,
Ingham,
Irving,
Johnson, of Va.
Kennedy,
Kent, of Md.
Kerr,
Kershaw,

Mr. King, of N. C.
Lefferts,
Lyle,
McCoy,
M'Kim,
McLean,
Moore,
Murfree,
Nelson,
Newton,
Ormsby,
Parker,
Pickens,
Piper,
Pleasants,
Potter,
Rea, of Penn.
Rhea, of Tenn.
Rich,
Ringgold,

Mr. Roberts,
Sage,
Sevier,
Seybert,
Sharp,
Skinner,
Smith, of Penn.
Smith, of Vir.
Strong,
Tannehill,
Taylor,
Telfair,
Troup,
Udree,
Ward, of N. J.
Whitehill,
Wilson, of Pa.
Wright,
Yancey.

Several propositions were submitted to the House by way of amendment to the said amendments of the Senate, all of which were rejected by the House : Whereupon, The said amendments of the Senate were severally concurred in by the House ; and Mr. Fisk, of New York, and Mr. Cooper, were appointed a committee to give information thereof to the Senate.
And then the House adjourned until four o'clock in the afternoon.

FOUR O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met ; and
Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined an enrolled bill, entitled " An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States," and had found the same to be truly enrolled : On which,
The Speaker signed the said bill.
Ordered, That the said Committee of Enrolment do take the said bill to the Senate for the signature of their President.
The doors were then opened.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1813.

Mr. Skinner, from the Joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on Friday last, present to the President of the United States, for his approbation, an enrolled bill, entitled " An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States."
A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary, notifying that the President did, on Friday last, approve and sign the above-mentioned enrolled bill.

On motion of Mr. Oakley,
Ordered, That the injunction of secrecy imposed upon the message from the President of the United States, of the 9th instant, as well as upon all the proceedings of this House, growing out of the said message, be taken off ; and that the said message and proceedings be published.
The doors were then opened.

QUESTIONS OF ORDER DECIDED.

MARCH 21, 1814. *Page 440.*

The order of the day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the bill to alter and establish post routes, was called for :

And the Speaker being in the act of putting the question on the said call,

Another member called for the consideration of another order of the day, which latter call was declared by the Speaker (Mr. Cheves) to be out of order.

From which decision of the Speaker an appeal was taken to the House.

And on the question, "Is the decision of the Speaker correct?" It passed in the affirmative.

APRIL 2, 1814. *Pages 523, 524.*

The following resolution was submitted for consideration by Mr. Grundy :

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a national bank.

The House proceeded to consider the said resolution : When, a question of order was raised by Mr. Wright, whether the same was in order, as a bill having, apparently, the same object, had been referred to a Committee of the Whole House, and had not been acted upon.

The Speaker decided that the said resolution was in order.

From which decision of the Speaker, an appeal was taken to the House :

And on the question, "Is the decision of the Speaker correct?" It passed in the affirmative.

APRIL 5, 1814. *Page 539.*

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on a bill, and the Speaker having resumed the chair, Mr. Stanford reported that the committee had made an amendment to the bill, by striking out the first (and only) section of the same : Upon which,

The Speaker decided that the report of the Committee of the Whole was not in order, because the amendment struck out the whole bill, which consisted of but the one section, and therefore amounted to a rejection of the bill.

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CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES :

BEGUN and held at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the 19th day of September, in the year of our Lord 1814, being the *Third Session* of the Thirteenth Congress held under the Constitution of Government of the United States.

On which day, being the day appointed by proclamation of the President of the United States, dated on the 8th day of August, 1814, for the meeting of Congress, LANGDON CHEVES, the Speaker, *Patrick Magruder*, the Clerk, and the following members of the House of Representatives, appeared, and took their seats, to wit :

From New Hampshire,

Roger Vose.

Massachusetts,

{ Elijah Brigham,
William Ely,
Levi Hubbard,
Cyrus King,
Nathaniel Ruggles,
Artemas Ward.

Connecticut,

{ Epaphroditus Champion,
John Davenport, jr.
Jonathan O. Moseley,
Lewis B. Sturges.

Vermont,

{ William C. Bradley,
James Fisk,
Richard Skinner,
William Strong,
Charles Rich.

New York,

{ Daniel Avery,
Alexander Boyd,
Oliver C. Comstock,
Peter Denoyelles,
Jonathan Fisk,
James Geddes,
Thomas P. Grosvenor,
Moss Kent,
John Lovett,
Jacob Markell,
Hosea Moffitt,
Thomas I. Oakley,
Jotham Post, jr.
Ebenezer Sage.

From Pennsylvania,

William Anderson,
David Bard,
Robert Brown,
John Conard,
Roger Davis,
Charles J. Ingersoll,
Samuel D. Ingham,
Jared Irwin,
Aaron Lyle,
William Piper,
John Rea,
Adam Seybert,
Adamson Tannehill,
Daniel Udree,
Thomas Wilson.

Delaware,

Thomas Cooper.

Maryland,

Stevenson Archer,
Alexander C. Hanson,
Joseph Kent,
Philip Stuart.

Virginia,

Thomas M. Bayly,
William A. Burwell,
Hugh Caperton,
John W. Eppes,
Thomas Gholson,
Peterson Goodwyn,
Aylet Hawes,
John Kerr,
Joseph Lewis, junior,
William M'Coy,
Thomas Newton,
James Pleasants, junior,
John Roane,
John Smith,
Francis White.

North Carolina,

Willis Alston,
John Culpeper,
Peter Forney,
William Gaston,
Nathaniel Macon,
William H. Murfree,
Joseph Pearson,
Richard Stanford,
Bartlett Yancey.

South Carolina,

Langdon Cheves, (Speaker,)
David R. Evans,
Samuel Farrow,
Theodore Gourdin,
John Kershaw.

Georgia,

Alfred Cuthbert,
John Forsyth.

Kentucky,

James Clarke,
Joseph H. Hawkins,
Joseph Desha,
Richard M. Johnson,
Thomas Montgomery,
Stephen Ormsby,
Solomon P. Sharp.